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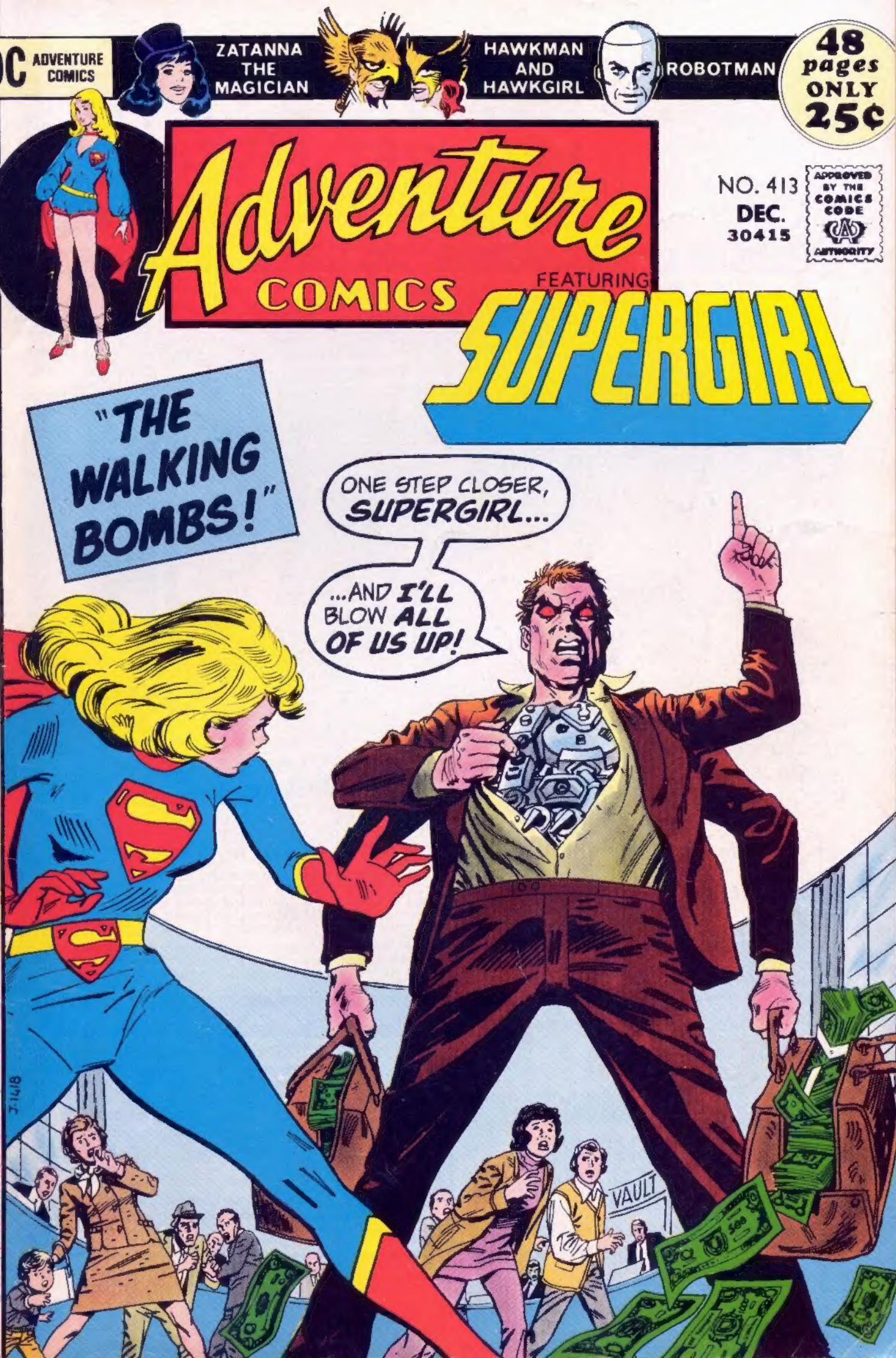
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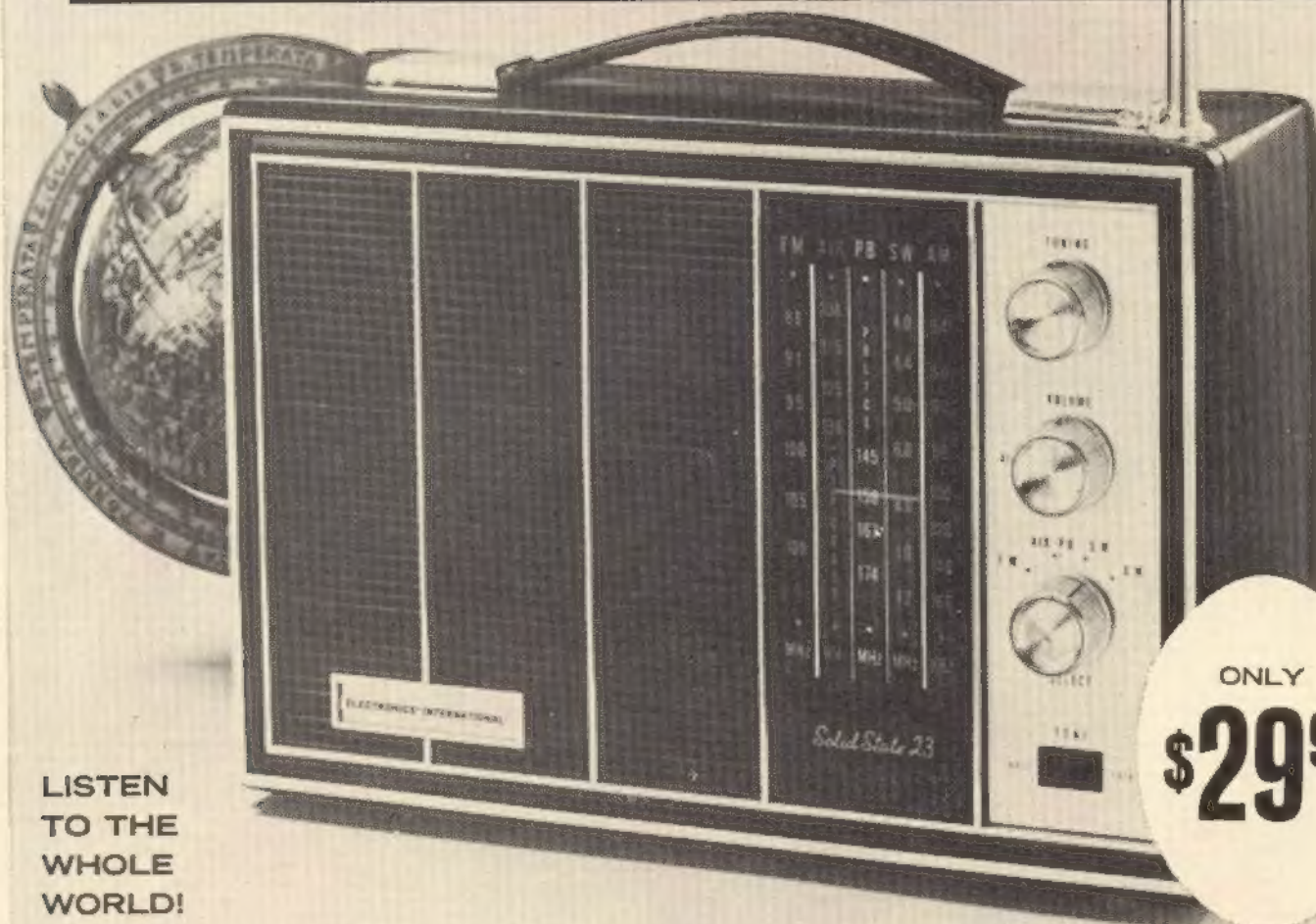
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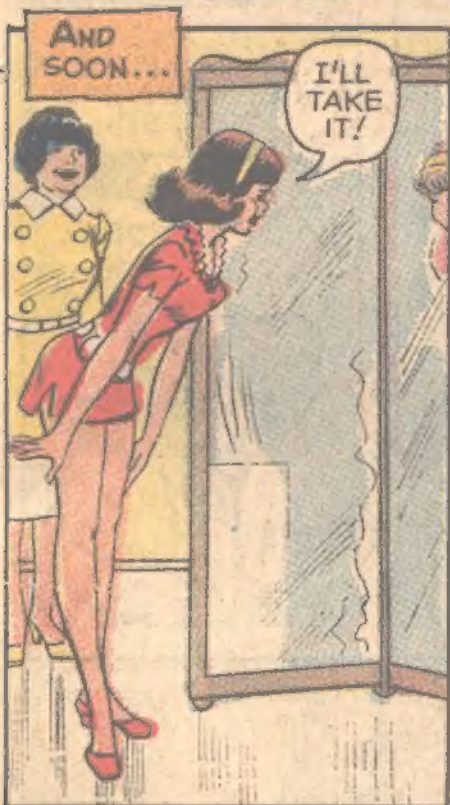
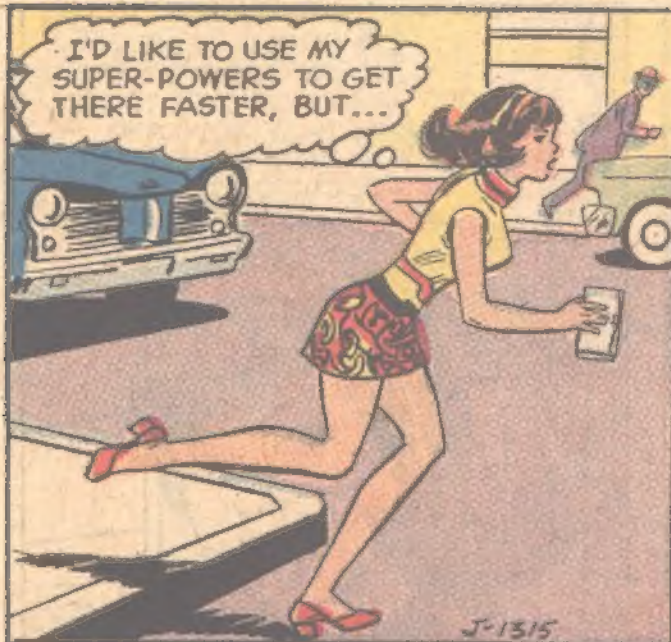
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LATER...
AT HOME...

GOSH! I WENT WAY OVER MY BUDGET
ON THAT SHOPPING SPREE! WHY IS IT
I CAN'T RESIST THOSE BIG SALES?



OH, WELL!
THOSE
GORGEOUS
OUTFITS
WERE
WORTH IT!

EVEN IF IT MEANS
I'M GOING TO HAVE
TO GO OVER TO THE
BANK NOW AND
TAKE SOMETHING
OUT OF MY SAVINGS
ACCOUNT...



I'LL DRAW
OUT ABOUT
TWENTY
DOL—

HEY,
WHA—?

YOU WILL PUT
MONEY IN THIS
BAG--ALL OF IT...

CITY
BANK



THAT ROBOT IS ROBBING
THE BANK! I WAS SO
BUSY THINKING ABOUT
MY NEW CLOTHES I
DIDN'T HAVE MY SUPER-
HEARING OR X-RAY
VISION WORKING!

THANK GOODNESS
THERE'S AN ALLEY
RIGHT AROUND THIS
CORNER WHERE I
CAN CHANGE INTO
SUPergirl!



...BUT AS LINDA
PREPARES TO CHANGE...

HI,
GIRLIE...



I DON'T HAVE TIME
TO FIND A PLACE
WITH MORE PRIVACY,
MISTER, SO—

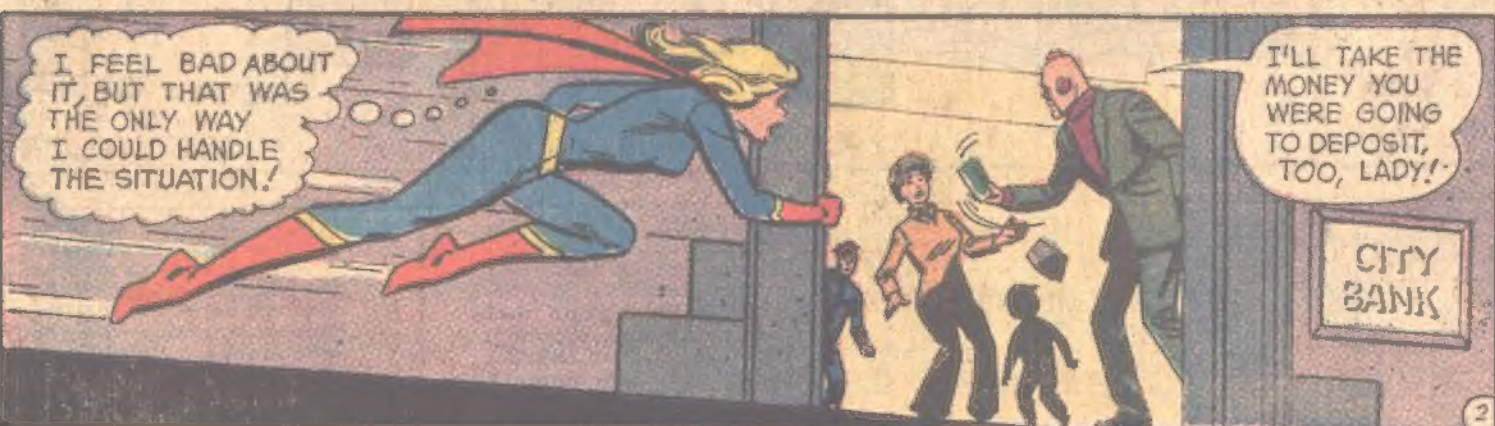
OOOF!



I FEEL BAD ABOUT
IT, BUT THAT WAS
THE ONLY WAY
I COULD HANDLE
THE SITUATION!

I'LL TAKE THE
MONEY YOU
WERE GOING
TO DEPOSIT,
TOO, LADY!

CITY
BANK



SUPERGIRL

in

The WALKING BOMBS!

SCRIPT: JOHN ALBANO
PENCILS: ART SAAF
INKS: BOB OKSNER

SO! **SUPERGIRL** ARRIVES ON THE SCENE! BUT THERE IS NO WAY ANYONE-- EVEN **YOU, SUPERGIRL**-- CAN STOP ME!

I AM PROGRAMED TO EXPLODE AND DESTROY EVERYTHING WITHIN A TEN MILE RADIUS IF YOU TRY!

GIMME BACK MY MOMMY'S MONEY!

YOU CROOK!



IT'S AN **ANDROID**! I CAN'T CHANCE PREVENTING ITS ESCAPE-- MY SUPER-SKIN COULD WITHSTAND ANY TYPE EXPLOSION, BUT NO ONE ELSE'S COULD!

YOU STOLE MY MOMMY'S MONEY!

OH, NO! HE'S GOING TO STRIKE THAT LITTLE BOY! I CAN'T LET--

BUT SUDDENLY, THE ANDROID'S STEEL-LIKE HAND STOPS IN MID-AIR--- FOR SECONDS ITS FORM STANDS MOTIONLESS -- AS IF IT WERE RECEIVING ORDERS **NOT** TO DELIVER ITS DEADLY BLOW...

THEN, SOMETHING EVEN STRANGER HAPPENS! THE ANDROID SLOWLY BRINGS ITS ARM DOWN, REACHES INTO THE BAG OF MONEY, AND RETURNS THAT WHICH IT HAD TAKEN FROM THE BOY'S MOTHER MOMENTS BEFORE...

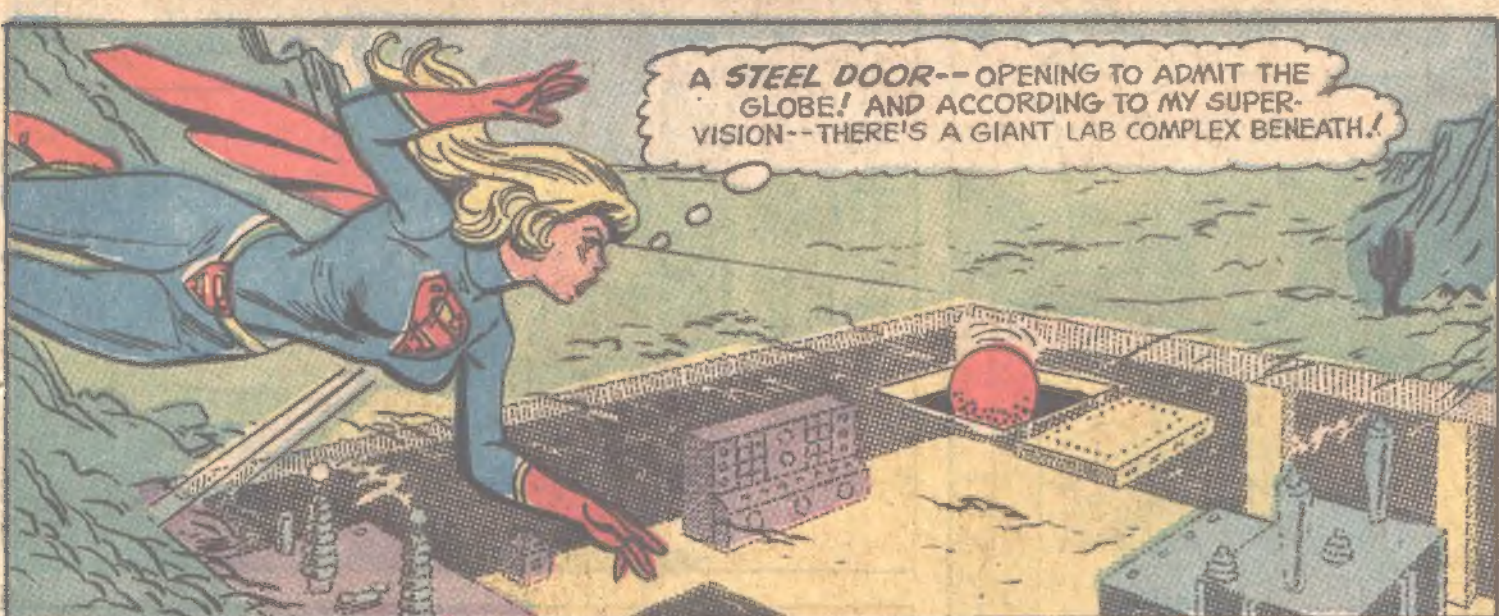
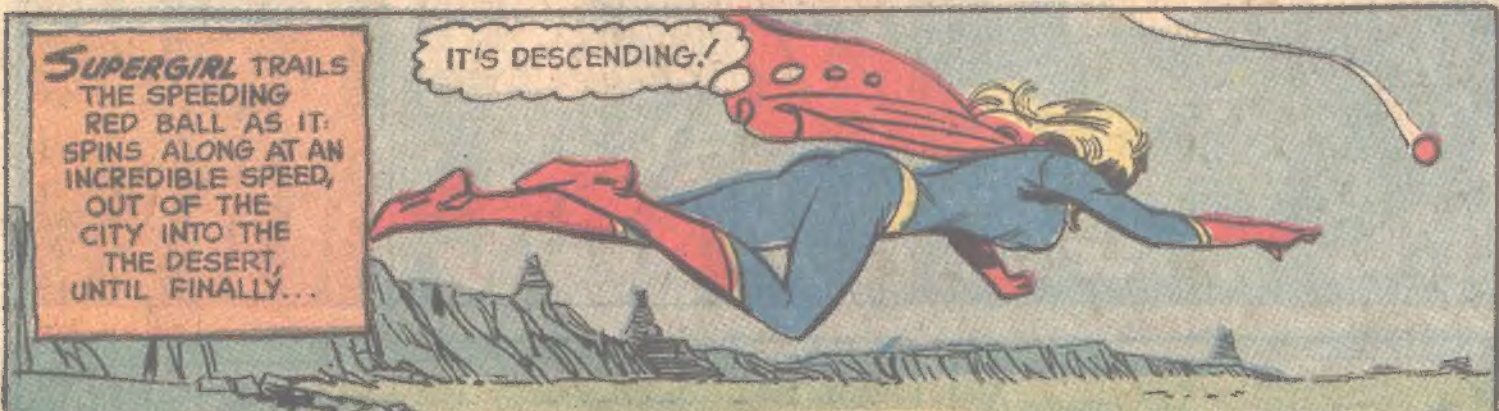
XMAS CLUB
ONE
DIME
RATES

NEXT, IT QUICKLY TURNS AND RACES FROM THE BANK...

??? THAT BIG RED BALL-- IT DROPPED DOWN FROM SOMEWHERE-- NOW IT'S HOVERING OUTSIDE...

A SLIDING DOOR IS OPENING...

IT WAS SENT FOR THE ANDROID TO ESCAPE IN!



I WATCHED YOUR PURSUIT OF MY MAGNETIC SPHERE WITH GREAT AMUSEMENT... YOUR BEAUTY IN FLIGHT WAS A DELIGHT TO OBSERVE. I ALMOST HATE TO HARNESS SUCH UNUSUAL ENERGY!

AND I ALMOST HATE TO DESTROY ALL THE WORK YOU MUST HAVE PUT INTO BUILDING THIS PLACE, MISTER WHOEVER-YOU-ARE, BUT SINCE ITS PURPOSE IS 'THIEVERY...

...I'LL BEGIN BY SMASHING EVERY PIECE OF EQUIPMENT YOU—

DON'T TAKE ANOTHER STEP!

YOU COULD WALK THROUGH THOSE ELECTRICAL BARS... **SUPERGIRL**, BUT I SUGGEST YOU **DON'T!**...

...UNLESS YOU WANT TO **BLOW UP** ONE OF THE MOST POPULATED AREAS OF **SAN FRANCISCO!**

YOU SEE, THOSE BARS ARE HOOKED UP TO A CIRCUIT THAT-- IF BROKEN-- WILL TRIGGER A MASSIVE EXPLOSION!

YOU LOVE USING INNOCENT PEOPLE AS PAWNS, DON'T YOU? I DON'T THINK I EVER ENCOUNTERED ANYONE SO DESPICABLE!

HAVEN'T YOU ANY HUMAN FEELINGS AT ALL?

HUMAN FEELINGS?

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH, **SUPERGIRL!**

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FEELINGS ARE FOR WEAK, SENTIMENTAL FOOLS!

LET ME TELL YOU A STORY OF ONE SUCH SENTIMENTAL FOOL... IT HAPPENED TWELVE YEARS AGO...



"HE HAD AN EIGHT-YEAR OLD SON WHOM HE LOVED DEARLY. AGAINST HIS WIFE'S WISHES HE BOUGHT HIS BOY A PUPPY THAT THE YOUNGSTER HAD BEGGED HIM FOR."



"THE BOY CHASED THE PUPPY OUT INTO THE ROAD, WHERE HE WAS HIT BY A CAR! AN OPERATION WAS NECESSARY TO SAVE THE CHILD'S SIGHT."



"BUT THE OPERATION WAS A FAILURE... HIS SON WOULD NEVER SEE AGAIN, UNLESS THE MAN COULD AFFORD ONE PARTICULAR SURGEON WHO HAD PERFORMED SUCH AN OPERATION SUCCESSFULLY BEFORE... HOWEVER, THE DOCTOR'S FEE WAS \$25,000. THE MAN APPEALED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BANK WHERE HE HAD WORKED FOR FIFTEEN YEARS..."

I'M SORRY, MEEKLY-- BUT A LOAN THAT SIZE IS IMPOSSIBLE...



"THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE MAN STOLE THE \$25,000 FROM THE BANK AND ALTERED THE BOOKS. IT WAS WEEKS BEFORE THEY DISCOVERED THE MONEY MISSING, BUT BY THEN HIS SON HAD BEEN SUCCESSFULLY OPERATED ON..."



"THE MAN WAS SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TEN YEARS... BUT HE HAD EXPECTED THAT... WHAT HE DIDN'T EXPECT WAS THE NEWS THAT HIS WIFE HAD MOVED AWAY WITH HIS SON, AND PROMISED THAT THE MAN WOULD NEVER SEE THE BOY AGAIN..."

THAT MAN...
WAS HE--?

YES, *SUPERGIRL*, ME! I WAS
THAT MAN! MR. ROBERT MEEKLY,
THE MAN WHO YOU SCREAMED HAD
NO FEELINGS... BUT WHAT ABOUT
THE DOCTOR WHO WOULDN'T OPERATE
ON MY BOY WITHOUT FIRST
GETTING A \$25,000 FEE?

WHERE WERE *HIS* HUMAN FEELINGS? AND
THE BANK PRESIDENT'S-- AND THE JUDGE
WHO SENT ME TO PRISON... BUT MOST OF
ALL... WHERE WERE MY WIFE'S FEELINGS
WHEN SHE
DISAPPEARED
WITH MY BOY?

CONTEMPT! THAT'S ALL
I HAVE FOR HUMAN
BEINGS, *SUPERGIRL*...

JUST LIKE THOSE ANDROIDS
I'VE BUILT! MACHINES! NO
FEELINGS... NO CONSCIENCES...
THEY CARE NOT WHETHER
THEY DESTROY THEMSELVES
OR A MILLION
HUMAN BEINGS!

FIRST I'LL HAVE THEM ROB EVERY
BANK IN THE COUNTRY... THEN I'LL
SEND THEM ON A "DESTROY MISSION".
HAVE THEM BLOW EVERY BANK
AND ITS PRESIDENT SKY-HIGH!
HEH HEH HEH HEH!

I MUST
STOP
HIM
BEFORE
IT'S TOO
LATE
BUT
HOW?...

FROM CHILDREN
INTO THE ELECTRICAL
LABORATORY... WE
HAVE WORK TO DO...

NOW NOW SUPERGIRL SEARCHES FOR A WAY
OUT OF HER ELECTRICAL PRISON. SUDDENLY, HER
EYES FALL UPON AN UNPOLED WIRE -- HOOKED
UP TO THE GENERATOR THAT POWERS THE
ELECTRICAL BARS...

I CAN USE MY HEAT
VISION TO BURN
THAT WIRE IN HALF,
AND SHORT-CIRCUIT
THE ENTIRE ELECTRICAL
SYSTEM...

NOTHING IS
HAPPENING!

OH NO! I'VE
TEMPORARILY
LOST MY
SUPER-POWERS
AGAIN!

AND WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT? I
FORGOT MY POWER-BRACELET!
I'LL HAVE TO THINK FAST!

THE MAID OF STEEL'S COME-
AND-GO POWERS ARE THE RESULT
OF A DIABOLICAL SCHEME BY HER
ARCH FOE -- STARFIRE!

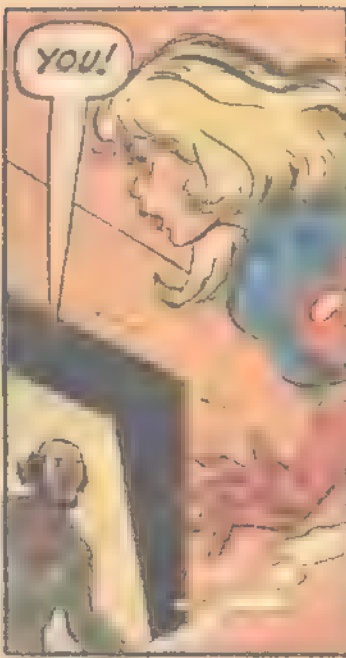
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IF ONLY I HAD SOME
METAL OBJECT THAT I
COULD... WAIT... A HAIRPIN,
OF COURSE!

NOW IF I CAN JUST THROW
IT BETWEEN THESE
ELECTRICAL BARS...
AND HIT THAT WIRE!

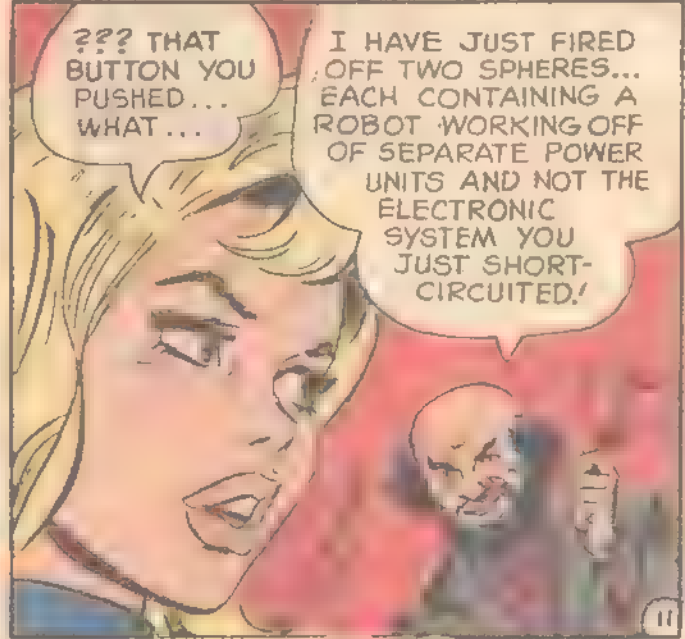
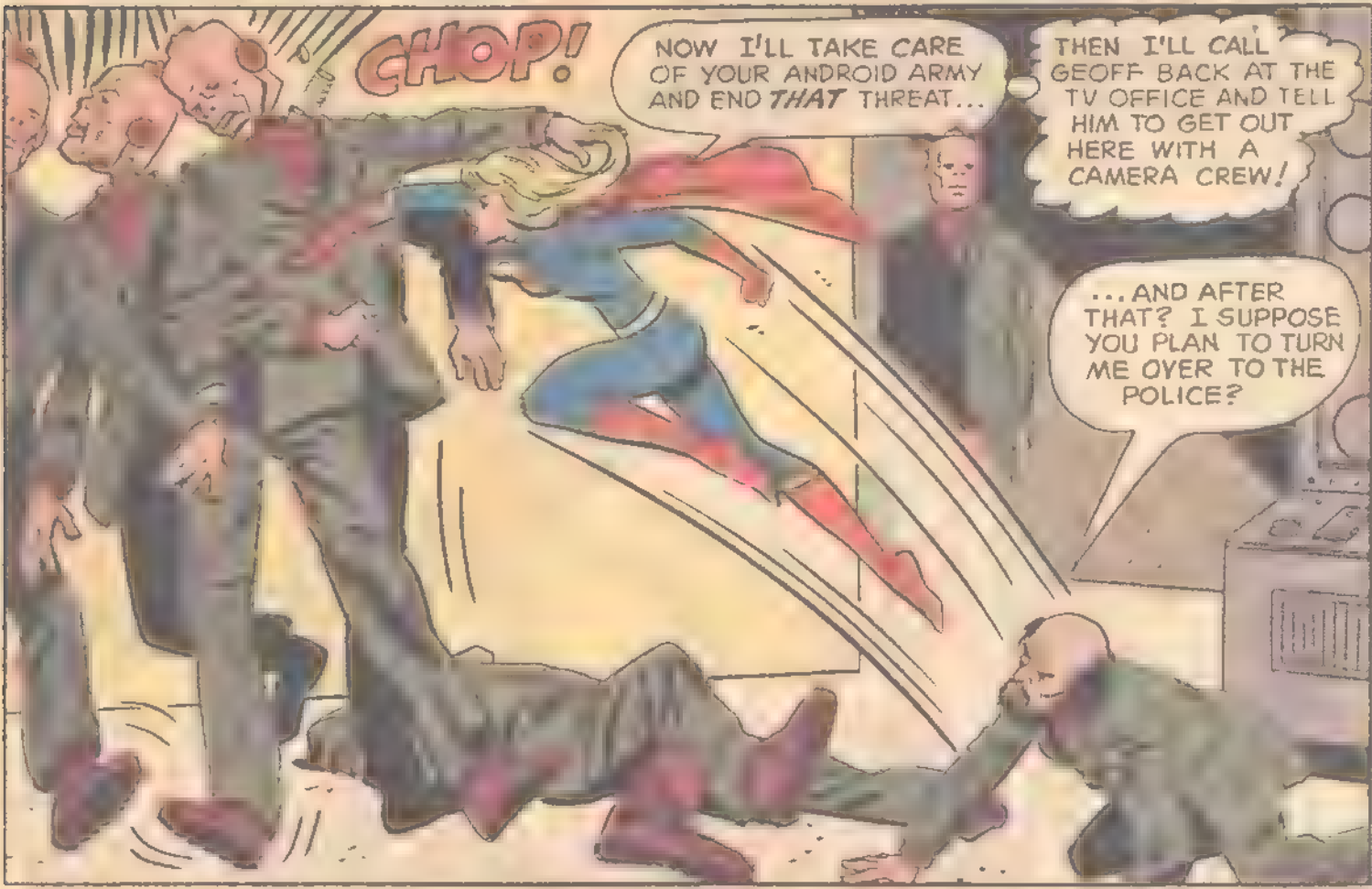
BINGO!

WHEN SUPER-POWERS
FAIL... FEMININE
WILES WORK!



WITH A STEADY RISE IN ALTITUDE, THE AIR BECAME
CLOUDY AND MOIST. THE AIR WAS WARM AND HUMID. THE
SUN WAS SHINE BRIGHTLY AND THE AIR WAS WARM AND HUMID.
THE AIR WAS WARM AND HUMID. THE AIR WAS WARM AND HUMID.





EACH ROBOT IS SET TO EXPLODE INSIDE THE BANKS AT PRECISELY 2 P.M.! ONE IN THE **CENTER CITY BANK**, THE OTHER IN THE **THIRD NATIONAL!**

EVEN WITH YOUR SUPER-SPEED, YOU'LL HAVE TIME TO STOP **ONLY ONE** OF THE WALKING BOMBS!

NOW YOU CAN TURN ME OVER TO THE POLICE... BUT I'M HAPPY... I'VE GOTTEN MY REVENGE!

YOU FOOL! DO YOU REALIZE WHAT YOU'VE DONE?

YOUR SON WORKS AS A TELLER IN THE **CENTER CITY BANK!**

WHAT? M-MY... NO! IT ISN'T TRUE! YOU'RE LYING! IT CAN'T BE—

WHEN YOU FINISHED TELLING ME THE STORY OF YOUR WIFE DISAPPEARING WITH YOUR SON, I SUDDENLY REMEMBERED SOMETHING...

IN MY JOB, I'VE MADE SEVERAL DEPOSITS AT THAT BANK... AND THE NAME PLATE IN FRONT OF ONE OF THE CASHIERS WAS **ROBERT MEEKLY, JUNIOR!**

OH, NO!

BUT I'M WASTING PRECIOUS TIME TALKING TO YOU... I'VE GOT TO DO WHAT I CAN TO STOP THOSE ANDROIDS!

SUPERGIRL! I'LL GO AFTER THE ONE THAT'S HEADED FOR MY SON'S BANK... YOU GET THE OTHER ONE AND CARRY IT TO THE DESERT WHERE IT CAN EXPLODE WITHOUT HARMING ANYONE!

5 SECS. LATER.

GOOD LUCK, SUPERGIRL!

AND INSIDE 1
SPEEDING SP.

ONE FIFTY-FIVE!
WE'VE GOT ONLY
MINUTES TO
MAKE IT!

5 SECS.

THERE IT IS! ONLY
A BLOCK AWAY
THE BANK!

ANDROID X63... STOP
AND ENTER RED BALL.
STOP AND ENTER
RED BALL...

THE ALLOY CHASE... AND WITH A NOISE
RESEMBLING A HIGH-PRESSURE LASER BEAM
FOLLOWING HIM FROM THE CLOSEST...

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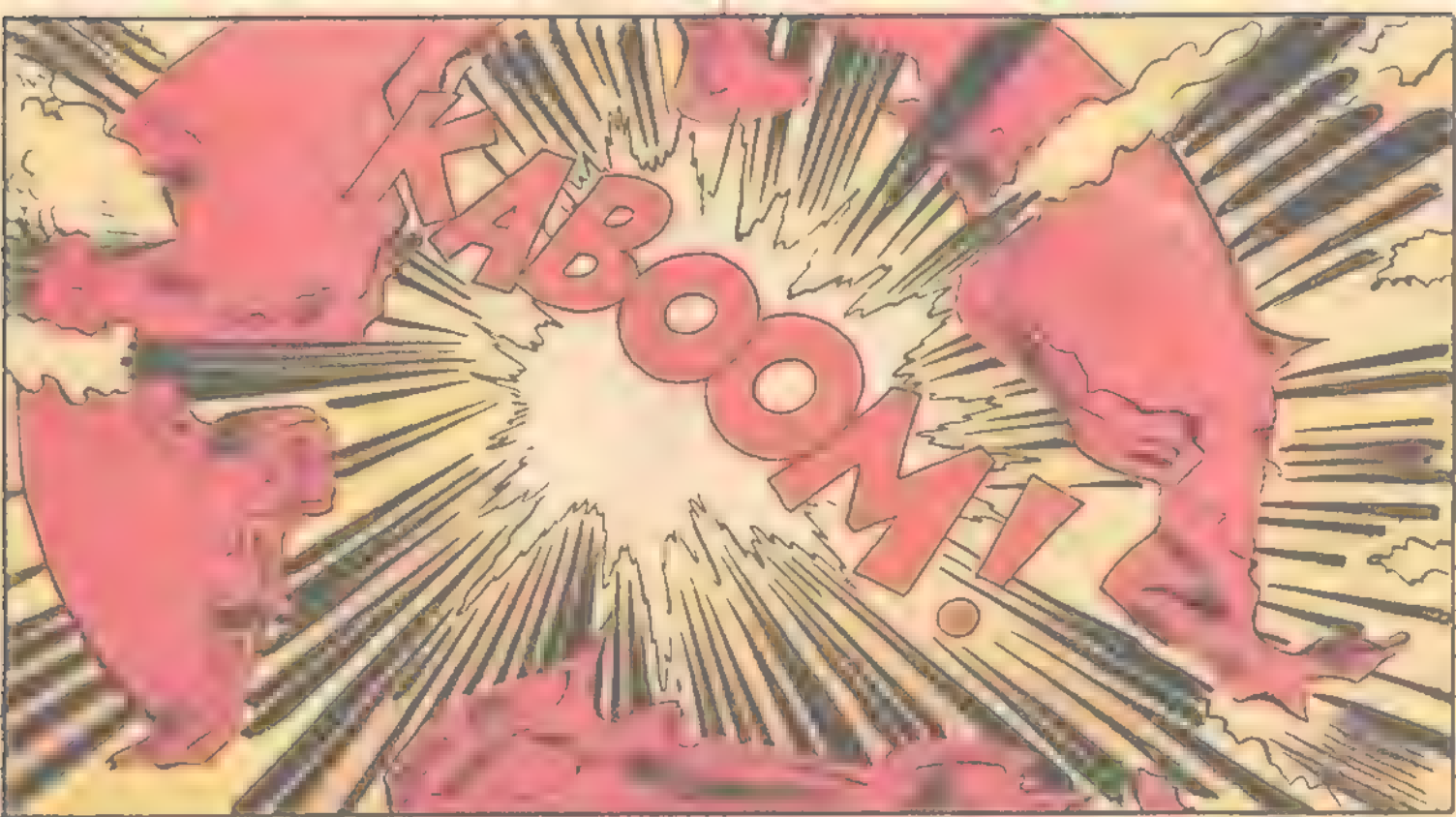
... BUT THE BATTLE AGAINST TIME IS BEING LOST...

ONLY SECONDS LEFT TO MAKE IT
TO THE DESERT! BUT NOT ENOUGH
TIME FOR ME TO GET OUT ALIVE!

SO BE IT!... I ONLY WISH I
HAD BEEN ABLE TO GET ONE
GLIMPSE OF MY SON... JUST
TO SEE HOW HE'D GROWN!

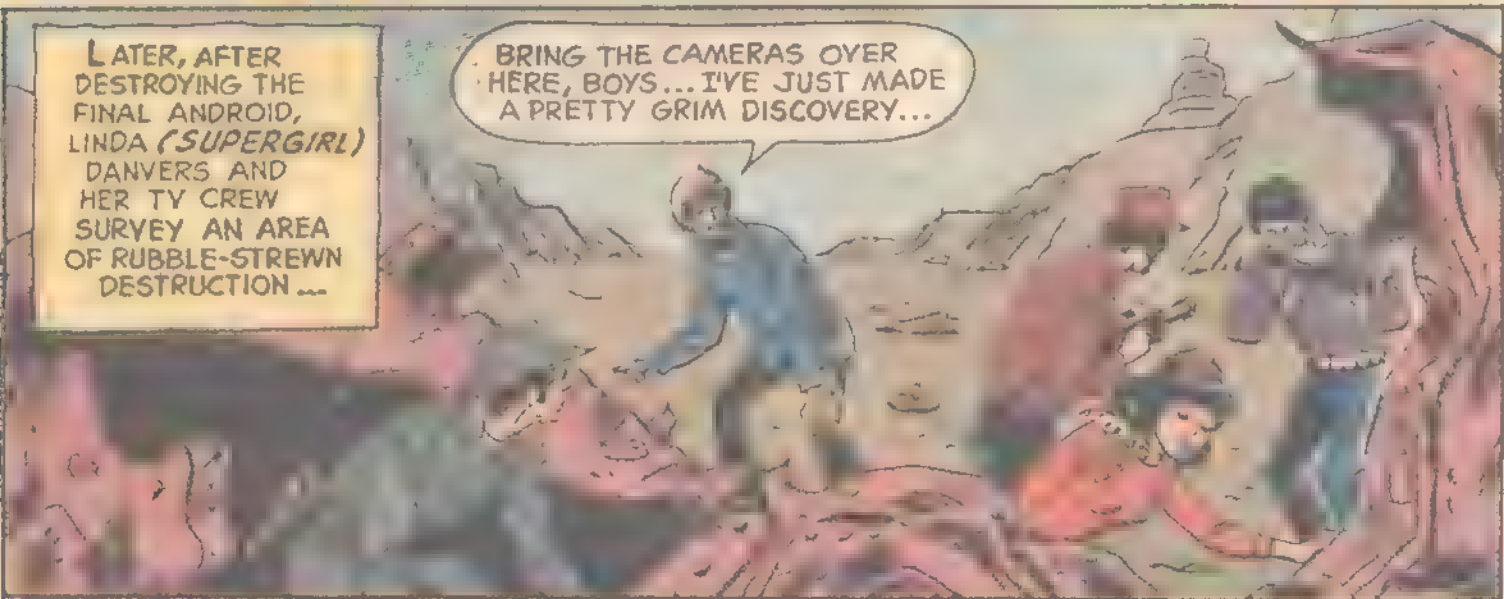
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WOULD HAVE
BEEN NICE...

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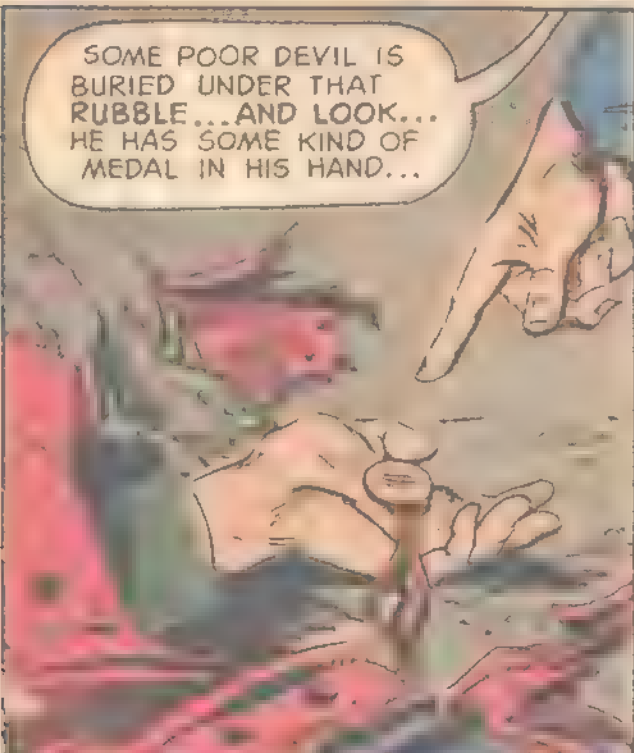


LATER, AFTER
DESTROYING THE
FINAL ANDROID,
LINDA (*SUPERGIRL*)
DANVERS AND
HER TV CREW
SURVEY AN AREA
OF RUBBLE-STREWN
DESTRUCTION ...

BRING THE CAMERAS OVER
HERE, BOYS... I'VE JUST MADE
A PRETTY GRIM DISCOVERY...



SOME POOR DEVIL IS
BURIED UNDER THAT
RUBBLE... AND LOOK...
HE HAS SOME KIND OF
MEDAL IN HIS HAND...



THERE'S AN INSCRIPTION ON
IT... *ROBERT MEEKLY, JR.*
EIGHT YEARS OF AGE,
LITTLE LEAGUE BATTING
CHAMPIONSHIP AWARD...



END



Dear Editor:

I couldn't help but notice the "J" affixed to the logo of Adventure #409's lettercol. Does that mean that Joe Orlando is the "Ed" who replies to the letters and, if so, will he be taking the editorial reins from Mike Sekowsky? I hope not. It's nothing against Mr. Orlando, but Mr. Sekowsky has done such a superlative job on Supergirl that it'd be a shame to lose him.

Anyhow, I liked the cover. It's nice to see the old Adventure logo back, and coupled with the new Supergirl lettering, it balanced rather well. The drawing looks like Dick Giordano's work. Is it?

"Invasion of the Mer-Men" was an excellent story and art job. Johnny's growing attachment for Supergirl may prove interesting, especially if Geoff becomes interested in Linda. However, Johnny isn't "the only guy on Earth to be kissed by Supergirl." Sorry if I disillusioned him.

"Fight with Fire-Drake" led me to believe that another deadline problem arose. The tale was first-class, though. I guess E. Nelson Bridwell didn't relish the idea of being stripped of his assistant editorship of this mag, so he had to get his finger in the pie some way. Mr. B. did a fascinating job of incorporating the Sekowsky-instituted situations in this tale. I liked Linda's campaign to arouse Geoff's interest, and I must applaud Mr. B.'s ingenuity in replacing the cumbersome cyborg, a necessary move in the light of Supergirl's new costume. It seems that she wants to rival The Thorn as National's sex symbol.

Hey, this is the first Nasty—less ish since #406. I'd like to see her continue in the mag, at least for the time being. Her full potential hasn't been realized yet. I do have a thought about her. Why hasn't Supergirl checked up on Luthor yet? She knows that Nasty is his niece (see #387), so it would be logical for her to think that Luthor is behind Nasty's harassment of Linda.

Gerard Triano, Elmont, N.Y.

(Yes, Joe has taken over the mag—and handled "Fight with Fire-Drake," as a matter of fact. He also dreamed up the bracelet gimmick to replace the cyborg. Hope you like what he's doing. I, E. Nelson Bridwell, had been assisting Mike, and continue helping Joe. I've also written all the Adventure lettercols for both of them! As for Luthor, we understand Superman is having some troubles with him now. Perhaps one of these days we'll tell how Nasty's nasty uncle got her a job in TV.—E.N.B.)

Dear Editor:

When I finished reading Adventure 409, I said to myself, "WOW!" It was one of the best comics I had read in a long time. But please explain two things (I would not need to ask except that I did not keep up with Adventure after you took the Legion of Su-

per-Heroes out). (1) What happened to Supergirl's powers? (2) Why did she have a new costume in each story?

Now, about the Legion story: superb! Please bring back more Legion tales, because they are my favorite comic heroes.

Stanlee Anderson, Uscon, Ariz.

(Supergirl has had trouble with her powers because of a pill slipped to her by a nogoodnik. And, as you may know by now, our readers are designing new outfits for the Maid of Might. As far as the Legion tales are concerned, they'll be appearing regularly in Superboy and occasionally in the 100-Page Super-Spectaculars. Starting with this issue, Adventure Comics is initiating a policy of featuring an ever-changing variety of characters in its pages. Who would you like to see? Hawkman? The Creeper? Deadman? Aquaman? The Atom? Anthro? Johnny Double? Let us know!—E.N.B.)

Dear Editor:

I'm writing to compliment you on ish #409. The story of the Mer-Men was good, but the thing that really caught my eye was the art-work in Supergirl's "Fight with Fire-Drake" (Art Saaf). The drawings have much more grace than the usual; particularly those involving Supergirl in flight. Her hair is looser and better.

The costume in this feature is an improvement, also. As I've said before, I don't go for her flashy wardrobe, but I'll make an exception this time. At least this one (the cut-out) has a little more elegance and flatters her figure; or is it just the artist? Geoff looks better than usual, too. Linda still needs improvement, though. Can't you do something with her hair? After all, she does work at KSF-TV. However—with the exception of the very last panel—the art is much improved. (I'm not saying it's superb; just better.) My compliments—and may upcoming issues display even more progress.

A suggestion for the back feature: how about the Black Canary? And, just as you sometimes put Superman and Batman together in one story, combine Supergirl and Black Canary now and then.

Judy Mah

(How do you like Bob Oksner's Supergirl work? With some help from Art Saaf and Win' Mortimer, we think he's doing a splendid job. And you may be seeing Black Canary in these pages very soon. We plan to do a series of serials on various heroes—starting with Zatanna and continuing with Vigilante and the Bird Lady (as Green Arrow calls her). All new stories, mind you, distinct from our reprints!—E.N.B.)

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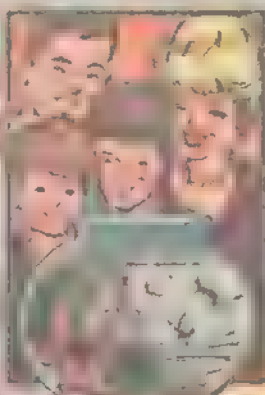
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IF THEY WERE ON
THEIR OWN PLANET OF THANAGAR ON THIS
PARTICULAR DAY, KATAR HOL, AND HIS LOVELY WIFE
SHAYERA WOULD BE PERFORMING THREE IMPOSSIBLE FEATS A
CELEBRATION OF "IMPOSSIBLE DAY"! BUT HERE ON EARTH THERE
WAS NO WAY TO FOLLOW THEIR NATIVE CUSTOM! THEN FATE STEPPED IN
AND ORDAINED THAT FOR THESE TWO WINGED WONDERS THIS WAS GOING
TO BE...

EARTH'S IMPOSSIBLE DAY!

IT'S JULY 4TH--INDEPENDENCE DAY--
A DAY CITY--AND THE PEOPLE
ARE ALL GATHERING AT THE PLAZA
FOR A BIG CELEBRATION. BUT
HOLD ON! WE'VE GOT A PROBLEM!

SHIERA, THIS IS A JOYOUS HOLIDAY ON EARTH! WHY THOSE TEARS IN YOUR EYES?

I'M HOMESICK, DEAR!

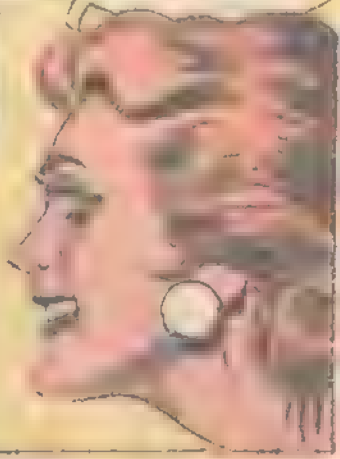
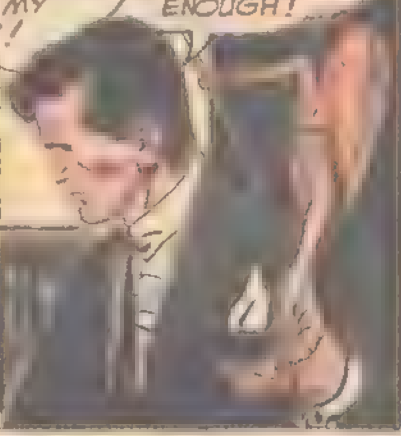


TODAY, ON OUR HOME WORLD OF THANAGAR ONE OF THE FAMILY IS TAKING OUR PLACE CELEBRATING IMPOSSIBLE DAY! DOING THE THREE "IMPOSSIBLE" THINGS WE SHOULD BE DOING, CARTER--IN HONOR OF MY ANCESTOR RHON DHU!

IT'S INDEPENDENCE DAY ON EARTH COINCIDES WITH IMPOSSIBLE DAY ON THANAGAR, CURIOUSLY ENOUGH!

TELL YOU WHAT, HONEY! IT'S ALSO A TRADITION OF IMPOSSIBLE DAY THAT WE GO ON A PICNIC! HOW ABOUT US HAVING ONE-- HERE ON EARTH!

OH CARTER-- I'D LOVE TO-- BUT LET'S GO AS HAWKMAN AND HAWKGIRL!



SOON THIS MAN AND WOMAN WHO ARE LAW OFFICERS ON THEIR NATIVE PLANET THANAGAR-- AND WHO ARE VISITING EARTH TO STUDY POLICE METHODS AND CUSTOMS-- ARE WINGING THEIR WAY WESTWARD FROM MIDWAY CITY

SUMMON OUR BIRD-FRIENDS TO SHARE OUR FUN DEAR!



GOOD IDEA!

WHEET!

WHEEEET!

FROM FAR AND NEAR IN HAWK VALLEY THE FEATHERED DENIZENS OF FOREST AND WOODLAND ANSWER THE CALL OF THEIR HUMAN BROTHER, WHEN SUDDENLY...

WHEET! DANGER, HAWKMAN! FOREST FIRE!

WHAT'S THAT BIG RED? WHERE??



THE SULLEN
RED OF A
NOT-TOO-
DISTANT FOREST
FIRE TINTS THE
SKY AN ANGRY
CRIMSON AS
CLOUDS OF
SMOKE
ROLL
UPWARD

WE'VE GOT TO
LEND A HELP-
ING HAND!

YES--OTHERWISE THAT FIRE
WILL DESTROY VALUABLE WOOD-
LANDS AND ENDANGER THE
LIVES AND NESTS OF OUR
FEATHERED FRIENDS!

AS THE
WINGED DUO
APPEARS
ABOVE THE
DREADFUL
CONFLAGRATION

THE FIRE'S
SPREADING FROM
THAT HIGH RISE OF
GROUND, HAWKMAN--
AND WE CAN'T
GET FIRE-FIGHTING
EQUIPMENT IN TO
STOP IT!

IF RAIN WOULD
FALL--THAT
WOULD PUT OUT
THE FLAMES!

THERE ISN'T A CLOUD IN THE
SKY! AND UNFORTUNATELY--
THERE IS NO WAY OF
MAKING IT RAIN UPWARD!

UPWARD RAIN! THAT'S
NOT A BAD IDEA! COME
ON, HONEY!

WHAT IN THUNDER
CAN HE HAVE IN
MIND?

WITHIN MOMENTS THE
WINGED WONDERS
ARE CIRCLING THE
WATERS OF VALLEY
LAKE--

OUR ARTIFICIAL
WINGS CAN WHIP
AROUND AT
UNBELIEVABLE
SPEED.

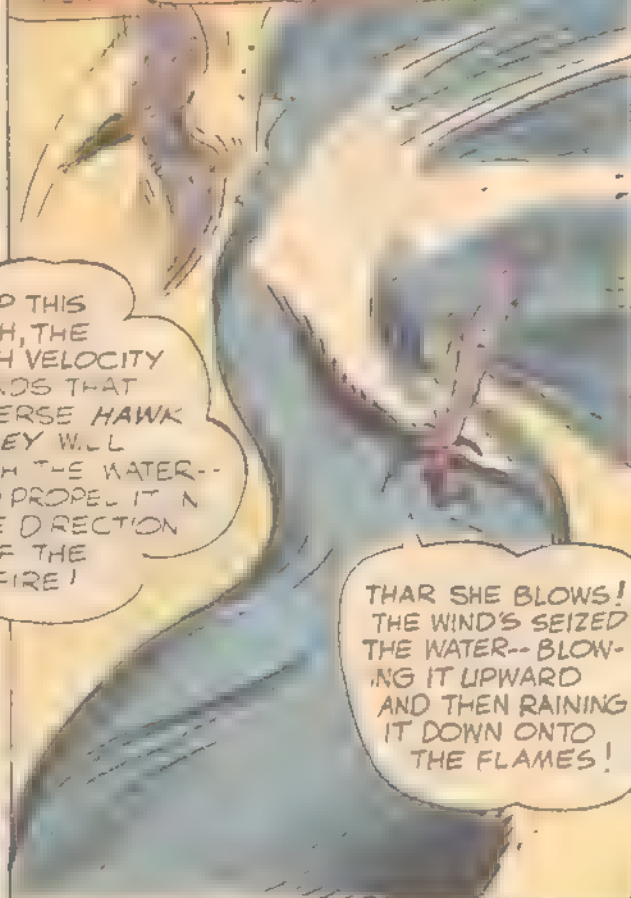
SHORTLY, UPWARD FROM THE LAKE SURFACE RISES A SWIRLING, ROTATING **WATERSPOUT**, GATHERING MOMENTUM BEFORE IT SOSE SWIFTLY BEATING WINGS...



HIGHER--HIGHER--
EVER HIGHER INTO
THE AIR RISES
THAT MIGHTY
COLUMN OF
WATER.



EVEN AS HE SPEAKS, THE LAHMAN FROM THAVAGAR SEES THE TOP OF THE WATER-SPOUT BREAK INTO MILLIONS OF TINY RAINDROPS AS THE WIND CATCHES THEM.



FASTER AND FASTER FALL THE MAN-MADE RAINDROPS, DOWN ONTO THE BLAZING INFERNO OF BURNING TREES AND UNDERBRUSH UNTIL STEAM BEGINS TO RISE! THEN...

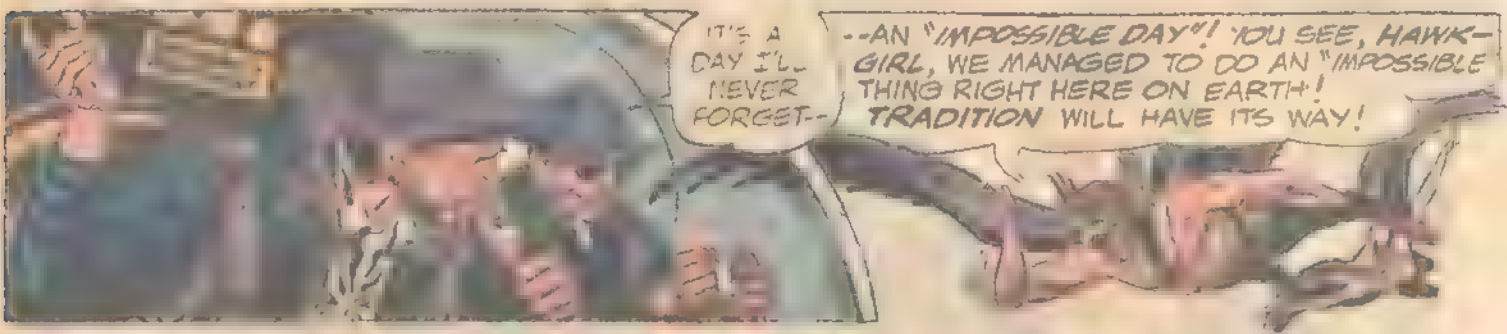


ISOLATED SPOTS
ARE STILL ON
FIRE!



WHEN THEIR TASK IS OVER

YOU DID IT! BY GOLLY, YOU DID SOMETHING THAT'S ABSOLUTELY IMPOSSIBLE! YOU MADE IT RAIN UPWARD!



IT'S A DAY I'LL NEVER FORGET--

--AN "IMPOSSIBLE DAY"! YOU SEE, HAWK-GIRL, WE MANAGED TO DO AN "IMPOSSIBLE" THING RIGHT HERE ON EARTH! TRADITION WILL HAVE ITS WAY!

HAPPY LAUGHTER RINGS FROM HAWK GIRL'S LIPS AS THEY FLY BACK TO HAWK VALLEY.

OH, WHAT A LOVELY DAY! I FEEL SO WONDERFUL, SO HAPPY! NOW IF WE COULD ONLY DO A COUPLE MORE "IMPOSSIBLE" THINGS, MY DAY WOULD BE COMPLETE!

RIGHT NOW, MY DAY WOULD BE COMPLETE IF I COULD HAVE ONE OF THOSE SANDWICHES YOU PREPARED!

GOOD, EVEN HAWKMAN'S PARTLY WELL SATISFIED WITH LIFE..

YOU MEN! ALWAYS HUNGRY! BUT SIGH! I LOVE YOU JUST THE SAME!

YOU MAKE A GOOD SANDWICH, DEAR! YOU KNOW, IT'S ODD THAT WITH ALL OUR SCIENTIFIC KNOW-HOW, NOBODY ON THANAGAR EVER MENTED ONE OF THESE!



THAT AFTER-NOON, AS HAWKMAN AND HAWK GIRL WING THEIR WAY HOMEWARD OVER A STRETCH OF ROCKY GROUND CALLED THE BARRENS...

LOOK! A CAR BEING PURSUED BY A PENITENTIARY!

MUST BE A PRISON ESCAPE



THE GUARDS ARE HITTING AN INVISIBLE SOMETHING AROUND THE GETAWAY CAR--AND BOUNCING OFF! LET'S LEND A HAND, HONEY!

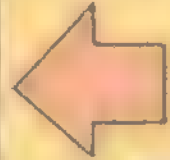
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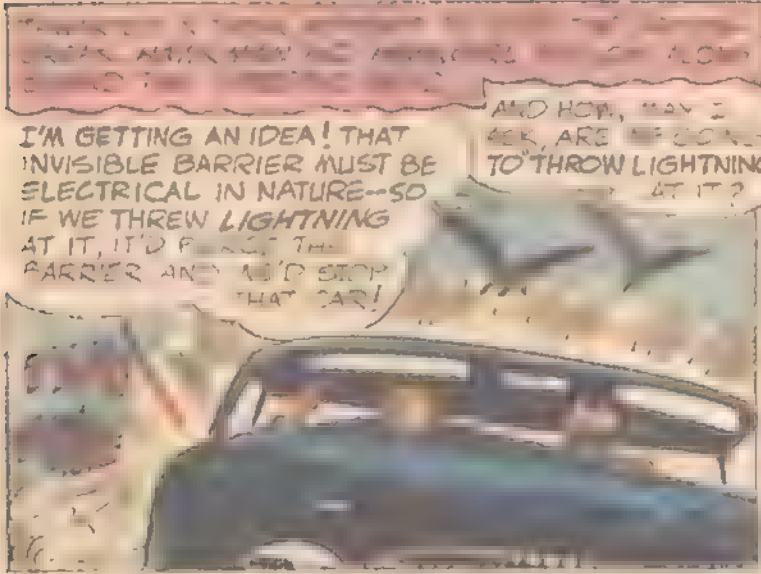


THE
WINGS
DID
NOT
CAN'T
RESISTED
BY THAT
INVISIBLE
BARRIER

LOOK AT THOSE
SPARKS FLY AS
WE MADE
CONTACT!

CRASH

OH!!
I GOT AN
ELECTRIC
SHOCK!



I'M GETTING AN IDEA! THAT
INVISIBLE BARRIER MUST BE
ELECTRICAL IN NATURE--SO
IF WE THREW LIGHTNING
AT IT, IT'D PUNCTURE THE
BARRIER AND WE'D STOP
THAT CAR!

AND HOW, MAY I
ASK, ARE WE GOING
TO "THROW LIGHTNING"
AT IT?



BY DROPPING
THE CAR ONTO
WE FIND SOME
LIGHTNING!

BY DROPPING THE CAR
KATAR-- CAN YOU BE
SERIOUS FOR ONCE?
DROPPING ON MY GUNS
OF COURSE!



HERE WE ARE!
A CHUNK OF
PETRIFIED
LIGHTNING!

IN OTHER WORDS--FULGURITE!
IT CONSISTS OF SILICEOUS MATTER
FORMED WHEN LIGHTNING
HITS SAND OR ROCK!
I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF
THAT MYSELF!

EMERGED
TWO
BREAKABLE
CHUNKS OF
FULGURITE,
HAWKMAN
AND HAWK-
GIRL CLIMB
HIGH INTO
THE AIR
THEN



HERE'S WHERE WE DROP AT
ULTRA-SONIC SWIFTNESS
SO THAT WHEN WE
THROW OUR PETRIFIED
LIGHTNING



--IT WILL GENERATE
ENOUGH ENERGY
FROM THAT INVISIBLE
SHIELD TO FREE THE
LIGHTNING INSIDE
THE FULGURITE!

AS THE BITS OF JAGGED FULGURITE HIT THE INVISIBLE BARRIER, THEY SEEM TO EXPLODE INTO CRACKLING THUNDERBOLTS...

NOW I KNOW HOW JOVE FELT WHEN HE USED TO HURL HIS LIGHTNING BOLTS!

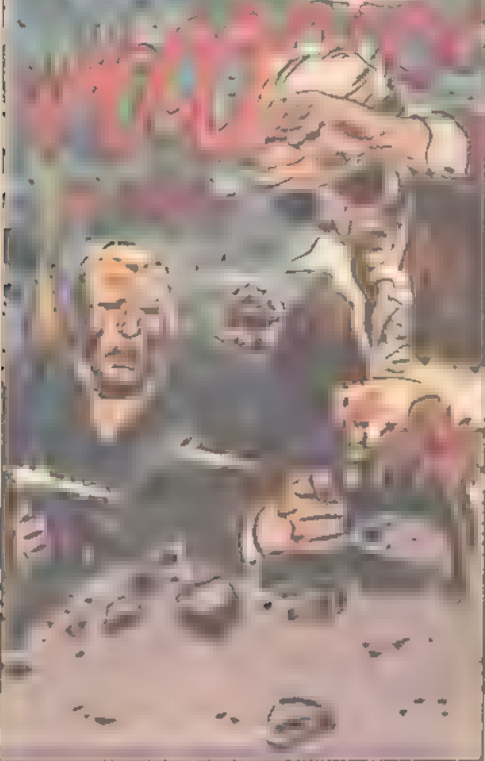
THUNDER

THE NEXT MOMENT THE CAR THISTS SIDE-FLIPS OFF THE ROAD.

YOU STOPPED US-- BUT THIS IS WHERE WE PAY YOU OFF!

INTERVIEW WITH THE REFERENCE PARTIAL ON THE TOP OF THE...

ONE! HEY! WHERE'S THE LIFTING THAT WINDSTORM COME FROM?



OUT OF THE HAIL OF STONE FRAGMENTS COMES THE POWERFUL BODY OF HAWK-MAN...

OUR WINGS CAN GENERATE A WIND VELOCITY OF SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES AN HOUR--PLENTY POWERFUL ENOUGH TO HURL STONES AT YOU!



YOU WON'T NEED THIS GUN WHERE YOU'RE GOING!





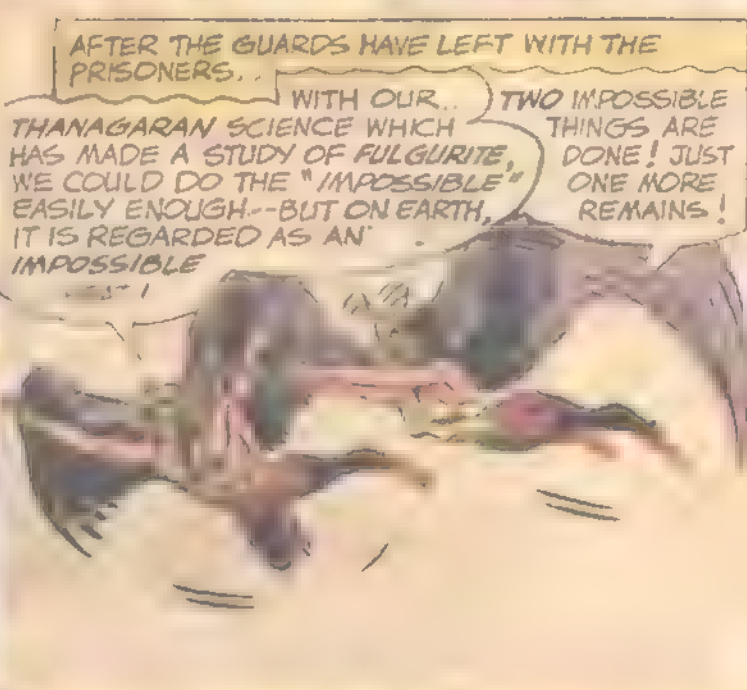
WHEN THE PRISON GUARDS ARRIVE...

GREAT WORK, YOU TWO! THE CONVICT IS TOMMYGUN TYLER! HE BROKE JAIL AND PLANNED TO MAKE GOOD HIS ESCAPE WITH THE HELP OF HIS PAL HERE GENIUS JOE!

I THOUGHT I HAD IT ALL WORKED OUT! MY IN-VISIBLE FORCE-FIELD BARRIER AROUND THE CAR WAS TO PROTECT US-- BUT HAWKMAN OUT-STARTED US--



...IT IS EVEN MORE IMPOSSIBLE!



AFTER THE GUARDS HAVE LEFT WITH THE PRISONERS...

WITH OUR... THANAGARAN SCIENCE WHICH HAS MADE A STUDY OF FULGURITE, WE COULD DO THE "IMPOSSIBLE" EASILY ENOUGH--BUT ON EARTH, IT IS REGARDED AS AN IMPOSSIBLE

TWO IMPOSSIBLE THINGS ARE DONE! JUST ONE MORE REMAINS!

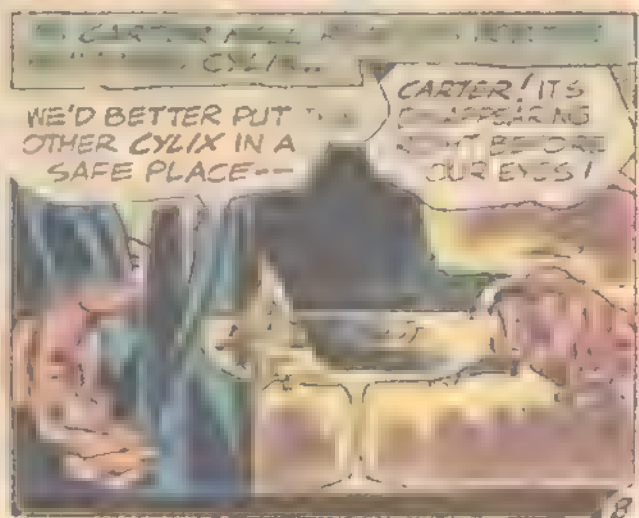


IT WAS SET BY HAWKMAN AS HAWK-GIRL AND HER MACK IN MIDWAY CITY AND CHANGING INTO THEIR EARTH-CIVILIAN GARB IN THE MUSEUM...

CARTER, ARE YOU SURE ONE OF THE TWIN CYLINDERS OF ALEXANDER IS HERE?



THERE WERE TWO OF THEM HERE THIS MORNING! THE DOOR GUARD COULD POSSIBLY HAVE WALKED OUT WITH THEM...



CARTER WILL BE HERE WITH THE CYLINDER...

WE'D BETTER PUT THE OTHER CYLINDER IN A SAFE PLACE--

CARTER! IT'S DISAPPEARING RIGHT BEFORE OUR EYES!

NOTED MAY BE THEN IT'S 5'...
 IT ONLY SEEMED TO DISAPPEAR...
 OBSERVE TO SHADOW ON THE WALL!
 THERE'S AN INVISIBLE! BUT...
 AS...
 CARTER 2



YOU KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED FOR ANYONE COMING INTO THIS ROOM! MEANWHILE, I'M GOING TO STUDY THE "INVISIBLE CLIP" IN MY PRIVATE OFFICE!



LATER, AFTER THE "INVISIBLE" CLIP HAS BEEN RETURNED TO ITS ORIGINAL LOCALITY

AH! THE THIEF HAS RETURNED FOR THE SECOND RARE CYLIX! HE MUST BE THE ONE WHO MADE THE... FOR HOW WOULD HE KNOW WHERE TO REACH FOR THE CLIP?



SO THAT'S HOW HE WALKED OUT OF THE MUSEUM WITHOUT ANYONE NOTICING HIS THEFT! HIS FINGER HOLDING THE INVISIBLE CLIP BY A HANDLE! I COULD STOP HIM NOW BUT I WANT TO RECOVER THE OTHER CYLIX, TOO!



WE'LL FOLLOW HIM TRAIL HIM TO HIS HIDEOUT AND... THEM BOTH BACK!

WITHIN MOMENTS THE WINGED DUO IS RISING UPWARD FROM THE SECRET TRAPDOOR IN THE MUSEUM OFFICE.



UNKNOWN TO THE WINGED WONDERS, THEY ARE SPOTTED BY THEIR QUARRY...

HAWKMAN! HAWKGIRL!
I COULDN'T HAVE ASKED
FOR A BETTER BREAK AS
SURE AS MY NAME IS
MARTY STONE!

I HEARD OVER THE RADIO THAT THEY WANTED
CAPTURE MY PALS GENIUS JOE AND TOMMYGUN
TYLER--SO I OWE THEM SOMETHING ON
THEIR ACCOUNT! NOW IF THEY'LL ONLY
KEEP AFTER ME...

WHEN GENIUS JOE INVENTED
HATCHETICAL SOLUTION
WHICH WHEN SPRAYED ON
A METAL OBJECT MAKES IT
VISIBLE TO THE HUMAN
EYE--HE NEVER EXPECTED
IT WOULD HELP ME BAG
HAWKMAN AND HAWK-
GIRL! GOOD, THEY'RE
STILL AFTER ME

LEAVING THE CAR, THE THIEF
RACES INTO A
COTTAGE

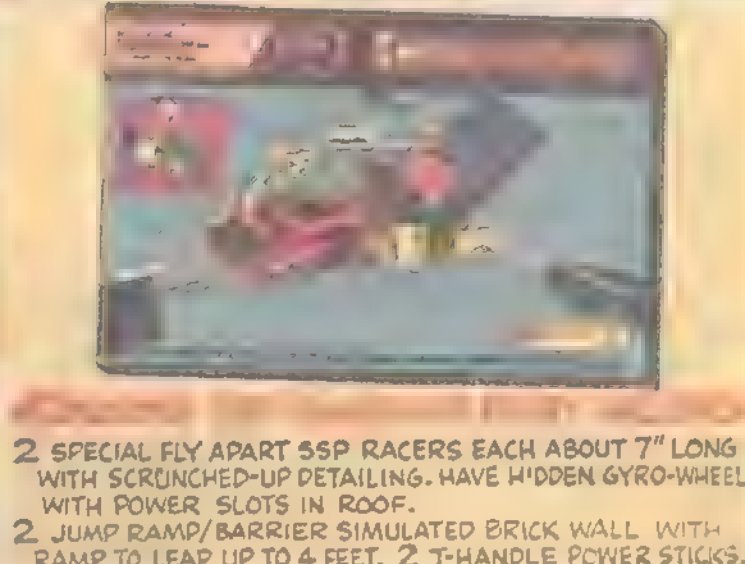
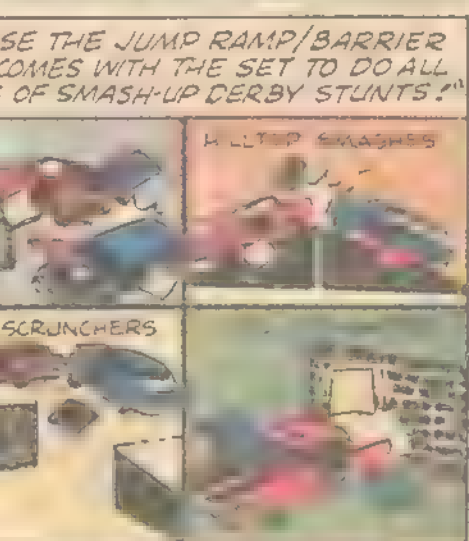
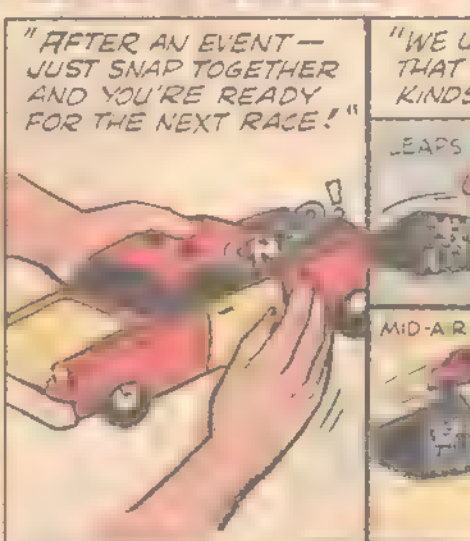
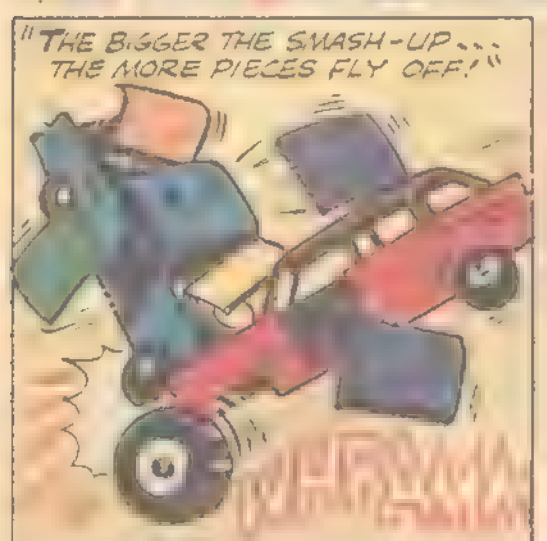
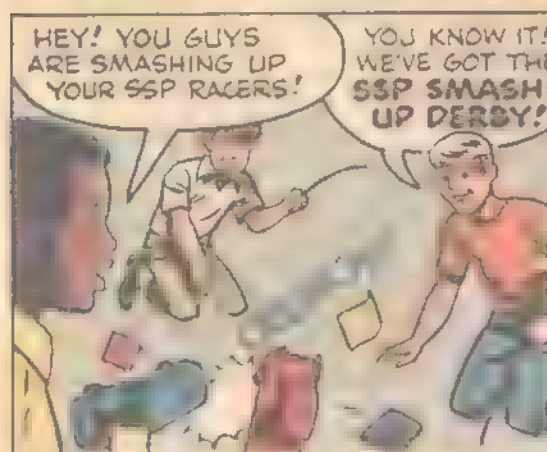
IN A
MATTER
OF MOMENTS
NOW I'LL
DESTROY
THEM
BUT...

INSIDE THE HOUSE

WITH THE INVISIBLE
RIFLE--THEY SHOOT
INVISIBLE BULLETS--
I'LL BE EASY
TO THEIR
CAREER!

AN UNSEEN GUNBARREL POKES
OUT OF A SLIGHTLY OPENED
WALL AS HAWKMAN AND
HAWKGIRL WING THEIR WAY
DOWNWARD--TO THEIR DOOM

I'VE GOT THEM RIGHT
IN MY SIGHTS! THERE'S
NO WAY THEY CAN
ESCAPE!



HIS PAPER BOLDED TO GO TO COCK--
BUT TOOK A MOMENT

HEY--!

HAWKMAN
DARTED TO ONE
SIDE JUST AS
I FIRED--MAKING
ME MISS! BUT
HOW COULD THAT
BE? MY GUN
AND BULLETS
ARE INVISIBLE!

BLAM
BLAM

DESPERATELY, THE THIEF TURNS HIS ATTENTION TO HAWKMAN.

BLAM
BLAM

I MISSED
HER TOO! WHAT'S
GOING ON? HOW
CAN THEY SO
EASILY MISS?

THE NEXT INSTANT, FROM OFF TO THE SIDES OF THE STREETS

THREE

BLAM
BLAM

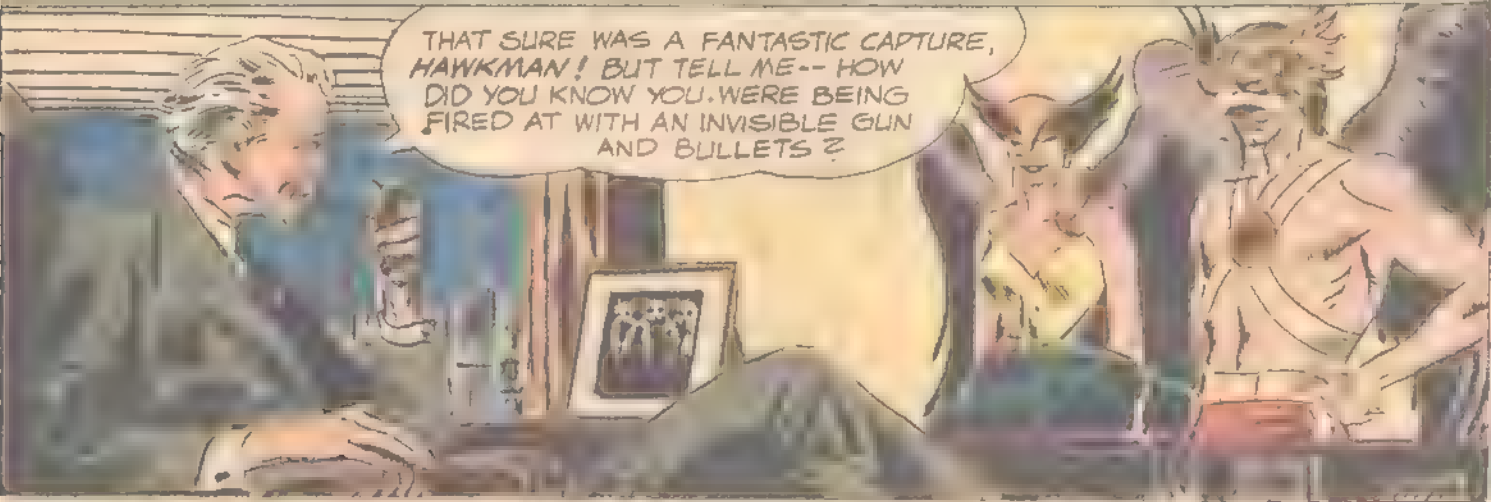
CATCH THE
RIFLE, HAWK-
GIRL!

GET
HAWKMAN!

HOW DID YOU DO IT? HOW DID
YOU AVOID THOSE INVISIBLE
BULLETS I FIRED AT YOU--OUT
OF AN INVISIBLE GUN? IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE!

SO
IT
WOULD
SEEM!

LATER AFTER THE STOLEN CUP HAD BEEN RETURNED TO THE MUSEUM AND THE THIEF PUT BEHIND BARS, HAWKMAN AND HAWKGIRL VISIT POLICE COMMISSIONER GEORGE EMMETT TO MAKE THEIR REPORT...



THAT SURE WAS A FANTASTIC CAPTURE, HAWKMAN! BUT TELL ME-- HOW DID YOU KNOW YOU WERE BEING FIRED AT WITH AN INVISIBLE GUN AND BULLETS?

WHEN I STOLED THE INVISIBLE CUP WHICH DISAPPEARED IN FRONT OF MALS AND ME, I DETERMINED IT WAS COATED WITH A CERTAIN CHEMICAL SPRAY. I ANALYZED IT--THEN CONCOCTED A COUNTER-CHEMICAL TO MAKE SUCH AN INVISIBLE OBJECT...**VISIBLE!**

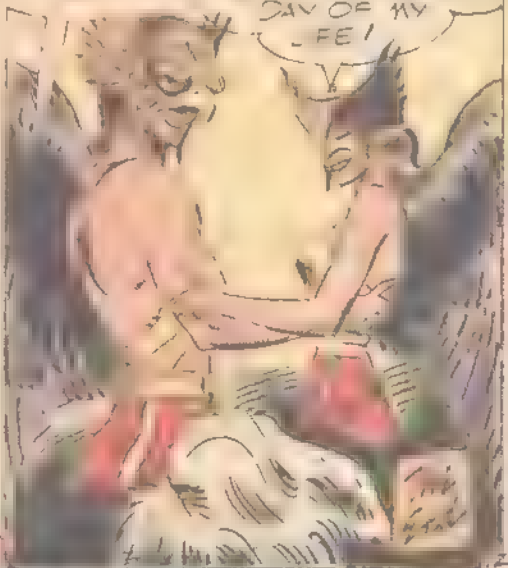


WE COATED THE COLLATER-CHEMICAL ON CONTACT LENSES-PLT THEM ON, AND FOLLOWED STONE! WE FIGURED THAT IF HE HAD AN INVISIBILITY SPRAY WORKING FOR HIM HE OUGHT TO HAVE "VISIBILITY" GLASSES TO SEE WHAT HE WAS UP TO!



WHAT A DAY YOU TWO HAD--AN IMPOSSIBLE DAY!!

COMMISSIONER-- THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT IT WAS-- THE HAPPIEST, MOST IMPOSSIBLE DAY OF MY LIFE!



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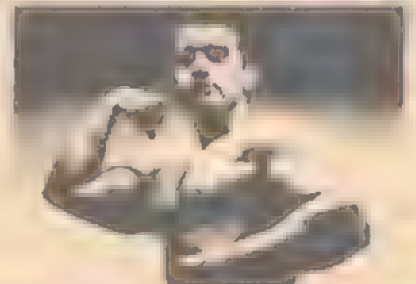
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MANSION THAT IS *SHADOWCREST...*

THUNDER ROARS ITS DEAFENING
PROTEST INTO THE FEARSOME
MIDNIGHT SKY-- BUT IT DOES
LITTLE TO DISTURB THE CON-
CENTRATION OF THE STRANGE
BEINGS WHO RESIDE HERE...

THEY ARE HERE, THE STRANGE BEINGS WHO
RESIDE IN THE MOLDY MANSION OF
SHADOWCREST. THEY ARE THE
MAGICAL BEINGS WHO LIVE IN THE
MIDNIGHT SKY. THEY ARE THE
GHOSTS OF THE PAST.



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WHA...?

LET US LEAVE THE MASTER OF MAGIC AT THIS MOMENT OF CROGS AND MOVE INSTEAD DEEP BEYOND THE SLOWLY UNFOLDING DOOR TO A CHAMBER OF TRASCENDENT AND THE ALKHOLOF OF OUR TALE-- THE MYSTIC-ROBATED PRINCESS OF PRODIGY'S TATON, WHO WE COME TO CALL...

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BUT THAT'S JUST THE POINT--IT'S NO CHALLENGE FOR ME TO UTILIZE REAL MAGIC IN MY ACT! SLEIGHT-OF-HAND REQUIRES EFFORT-- PRACTICE!

EKANS EMOCEB ELPPA EERT!



AND MANAGER OR NOT, JEFFREY SLOANE, YOU'LL ABIDE BY MY WISHES-- OR I'M LIABLE TO TURN YOU INTO A FROG!

OH, THERE'S NO USE ARGUING WITH YOU! C'MON, LET'S GO GRAB A CUP OF COFFEE!

BUT HOLD, GENTLE READER, BEFORE WE GO ON THERE ARE SOME EXPLANATIONS DUE YOU-- SOME TALES TO BE RETOLD...

MENT ON THE NAME ZATANNA AND ONE'S MIND IS FILLED WITH MEMORIES-- OF THE ZESTY YOUNG SORCERESS WHO CALLED ON THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA TO FIND HER MISSING FATHER-- AND FINALLY MET WITH SUCCESS!

ZATANNA, WHO LIKE HER FEM! GANE MENTOR, ZATARA, HAS MERELY TO RECITE HER COMMANDS BACKWARDS TO BRING UNCHAINED MYSTIC FORCES INTO PLAY!

BUT IN THE TIME IT TOOK YOU TO READ THESE WORDS, ZATANNA AND JEFF HAVE CLIMBED THE AGING STAIRS AND ENTERED HER FATHER'S MUSTY STUDY WHERE...

DAD, JEFF AND I WERE GOING TO PUT UP SOME COFFEE! WOULD YOU CARE FOR SOME OR...P

YOU--!! ACCURSED WITCH!

ANNATAZ, ENOGE!

DAD--? W-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WHAT...? WE-WE'RE FADING AWAY!

STOP HIM, HONEY-- STOP

BUT THE SOUND OF JEFF'S GONE'S ANGLED PLEA DISAPPEARS WITH HIM INTO THE DARKNESS...

I HAVE DONE AS YOU COMMANDED. MASTER-- THEY ARE GONE!

SPLendid! NOW NOTHING STANDS IN MY WAY!

JEFF'S DEEP, DARK, REACH
WITH TATTOOED TENDRILS FOR
THE TWO PUZZLED FIGURES WHO
FIND THEMSELVES FALLING
THROUGH A SURREAL STC
WARE-- THE ABSTRACT HELL THAT
IS LIMBO...

WHERE ARE
WE, ZATANNA?
WHAT'S
HAPPENING
TO US?

I'M NOT CERTAIN
JEFF! JUST
CLOSE YOUR
EYES-- AND TRY
TO HOLD ON TO
YOUR SANITY!



UNTIL FINALLY STRANGE FORMS BLUR
SOFTLY INTO VIEW-- AND THE TWO
UNWILLING TRAVELERS SETTLE
INTO SPONGY SOIL...

THIS PLACE
RESEMBLES
A BAD
FELLINI SET!
WOULD YOU
MIND
EXPLAINING
WHAT'S
GOING ON?

I WISH I KNEW,
JEFF! FOR SOME
INEXPLICABLE
REASON, MY
FATHER HAS
TRANSPORTED
US TO A
DIFFERENT
DIMENSIONAL
WORLD!

I'LL USE MY MAGIC TO
RETURN US TO EARTH--
AND PERHAPS WE'LL
FIND OUT WHY!

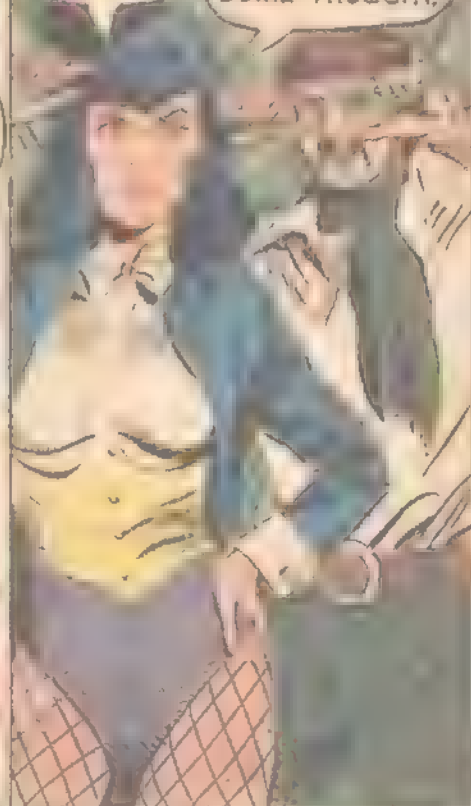


BUT, MOMENTS LATER...

IT'S NO USE!
MY FATHER'S
POWERS ARE
STRONGER
THAN MINE!
I CAN'T BREAK
THE SPELL
THAT SENT
US HERE!

SWELL! THEN
HOW DO YOU
FIGURE TO
GET US OUT
OF THIS MESS?

HOLD ON, JEFF--
THIS WILL TAKE
SOME THOUGHT!

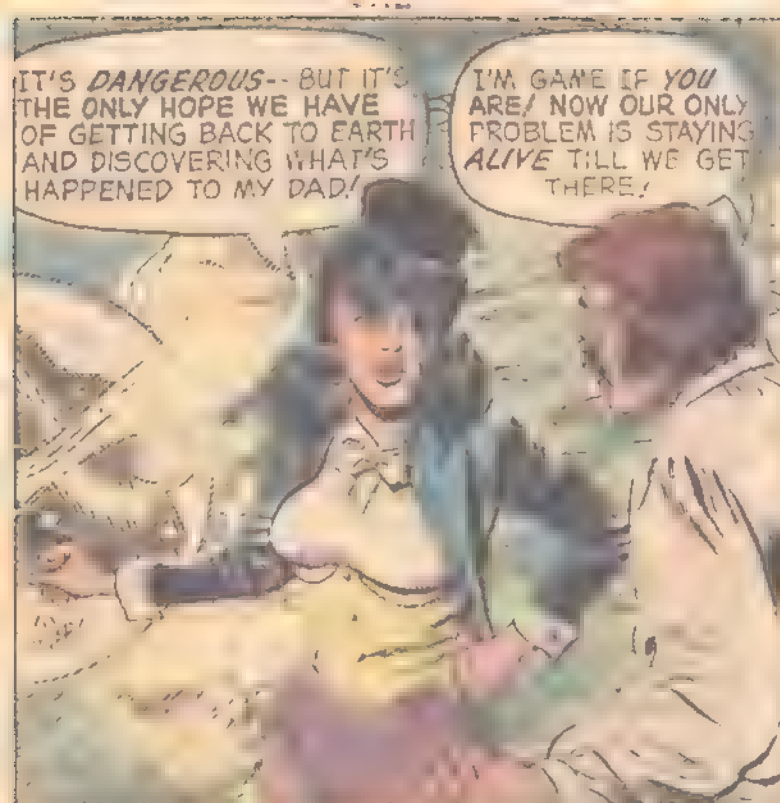


AND IN LESS TIME
THAN IT TAKES TO
SAY LATSYAC
LLAB RATTI...

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
IT LOOKS LIKE A RIP IN THE SKY!

IT'S A DIMENSIONAL JUNCTURE--
EVERY WORLD HAS ONE! A POINT
WHERE YOU CAN CROSS FROM ONE
WORLD TO THE NEXT-- AT THE RISK
OF YOUR LIFE!





IT'S *DANGEROUS*-- BUT IT'S THE ONLY HOPE WE HAVE OF GETTING BACK TO EARTH AND DISCOVERING WHAT'S HAPPENED TO MY DAD!

I'M GAME IF *YOU* ARE! NOW OUR ONLY PROBLEM IS STAYING *ALIVE* TILL WE GET THERE!

MOMENTS LATER, A BIZARRE CONVEYANCE STREAKS ACROSS THE COUNTRYSIDE...

THIS *FLYING CARPET* I CONJURED UP SHOULD GET US TO THE DIMENSION WARP IN NO TIME! GOOD THING MY MYSTIC POWERS *STILL WORK* SOMEWHAT ON THIS WORLD!

SWELL! NOW IF YOU COULD JUST CONJURE UP SOME *AIR-SICKNESS PILLS*...



JEFFREY, PLEASE-- THIS IS NO TIME FOR *LEVITY!* MY FATHER-- PERHAPS THE ENTIRE *WORLD*-- COULD BE IN TERRIBLE *DANGER!*

SORRY, HONEY-- IT'S THE *SHOW BIZ* IN ME! THAT LINE WOULD'VE *KILLED* THEM IN *MUSKRAT FALLS!*

BUT THERE ARE FAR *SIMPLER* WAYS TO BE *KILLED* ON *THIS* WORLD...

JEFF--
LOOK
OUT!!



SUDDENLY THE AIR IS ALIVE WITH THE SOUND OF WHISTLING STEEL AS...

JUMP FOR COVER, HONEY! SOMEBODY'S TRYING TO USE US FOR A PINCUSHION!

ONCE AGAIN, ZATANNA AND HER COMPANION SPRAWL IN THE DIRT--AND AS THEY REGAIN THEIR FOOTING...

UH, OH-- LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT COMPANY!

AND SOMETHING TELLS ME THEY *DIDN'T* COME FOR DINNER-- UNLESS THE DINNER'S *US*!

SLOWLY, CERTAINLY, THE BIZARRE BARBARIAN BAND CLOSES ON ZATANNA AND JEFF-- BUT IN THAT SINGLE INSTANT BEFORE THE ATTACK...

DROWS DNA DLEIHS RAEPPA!

I'M AFRAID IT'S *NOT MUCH*, JEFF-- BUT AT LEAST NOW WE HAVE A *FIGHTING CHANCE*!

THAT'S WHAT *YOU* THINK, SWEETHEART! I'M NO *ERROL FLYNN*! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO *USE* THESE THINGS!

NOW YOU TELL ME!

DNUORG EMOCEB DNASKCIUQ!

BUT AS THE
UNEVEN
STRUGGLE
CONTINUES...

HEY! IT'S NOT AS DIFFICULT
AS IT LOOKS! A LITTLE
PRACTICE AND I'LL BE
READY TO TAKE ON
DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS!

NAIRABRAS
YLF YAWA!

WHAT...? ANOTHER OF THE
SAVAGES-- BEHIND JEFF!

AND BEFORE
THE SAVAGE
SARGENT
CAN GIVE A
WARNING...

THIS IS
BECOMING
...USHH!

JEFF? OH
JEFF--NOO!!
I'LL TURN YOU ALL TO
DUST FOR THAT!

BUT AGAIN THERE IS
THE SICKENING SOUND
OF STEEL ON FLESH--
AND THE MISTRESS OF
THE OCCULT CRUMPLES
TO THE GROUND,
UNCONSCIOUS...

IT IS DONE!
THE MASTER
WILL BE
PLEASED
WITH US!

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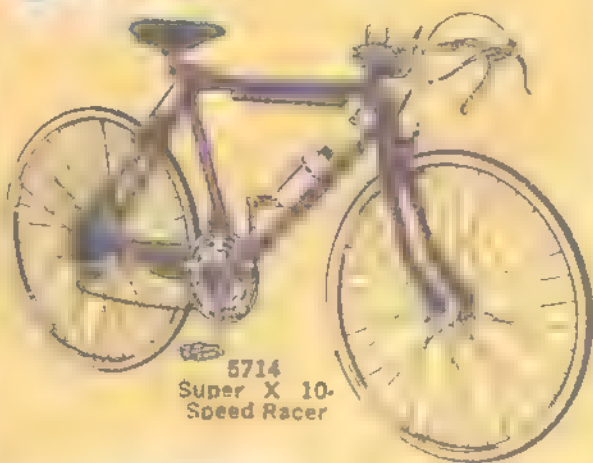
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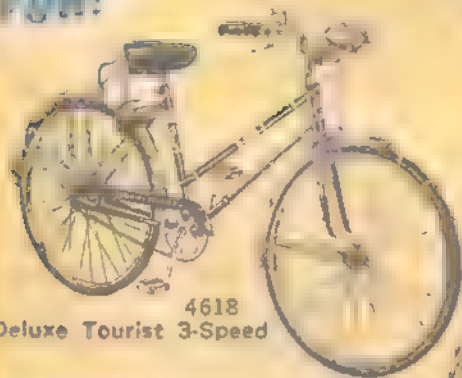
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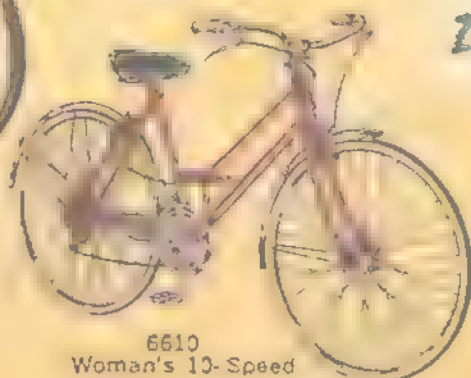
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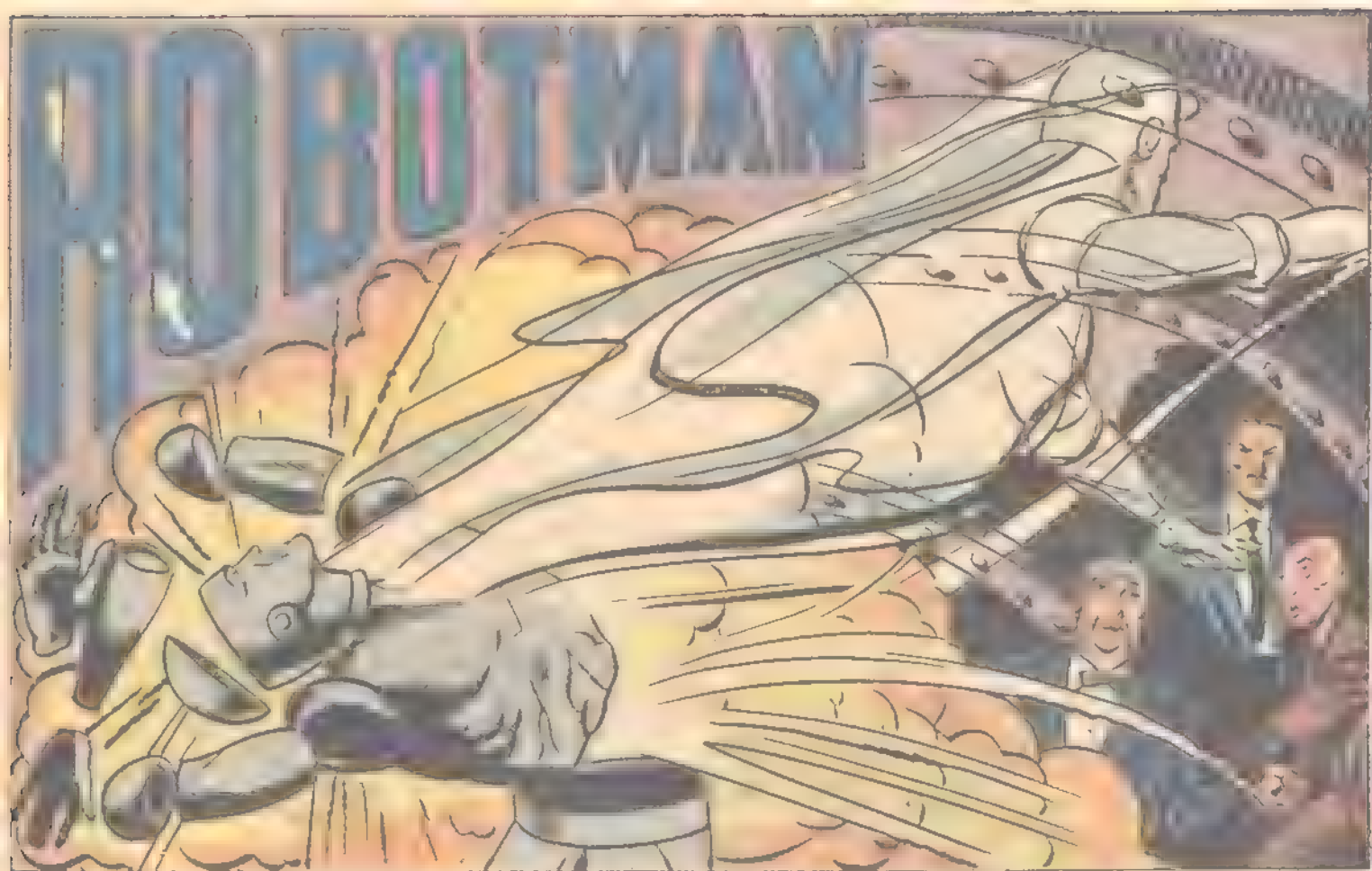
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♥ The **ROBOT GHOST!** ♥

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ONE NIGHT, AS PAUL DENNIS DRIVES THROUGH THE CITY'S WAREHOUSE DISTRICT...

OH, OH... THREE FUR ROBBERERS, ... AND ONE OF THEM LOOKS FAMILIAR!

SWIFTLY, PAUL SHEDS HIS PLASTIC HUMAN DISGUISE TO BECOME **ROBOTMAN**, THE METAL MARVEL WITH THE HUMAN BRAIN!

I'D SWEAR THE THIRD MAN WAS "LARCENY" LATHAM, WHOM I SENT TO **BLACK ISLAND PRISON** LAST YEAR! BUT HE WAS KILLED RECENTLY, TRYING TO ESCAPE!

WITH **ELECTRO-MAGNETIC PLATES** IN HANDS AND FEET, HE SCALES THE STAINLESS STEEL PIERS OF THE WAREHOUSE...

LATHAM WAS SWIMMING THE **WEST RIVER** WHEN GUARDS FIRED AND SAW HIM SINK! THIS FELLOW **MUST** BE SOMEONE ELSE!

BUT MOMENTS LATER, AS **JET-PROPELLED SKATES** WHISK **ROBOTMAN** TOWARD THE FUR STORAGE VAULTS.

HUH...? WHY, HE IS "LARCENY". LATHAM... OR ELSE, HIS GHOST!

ROBOTMAN! YOU WERE RIGHT THE SECOND TIME... AND YOU'LL FIND ME HARDER TO CATCH THAN WHEN I WAS ALIVE!

SUDDENLY, A FLASH OF DAZZLING LIGHT, AND...

IF YOU'D LIKE TO BECOME A GHOST, TOO, MEET ME AT THE BOTTOM OF THE **WEST RIVER** WHERE I BECAME ONE! HA, HA, HA, HA!

CAN'T SEE... BUT MAYBE MY SPECIAL **BUILT-IN CAMERA** CAN!

AND AS THE BRILLANCE DIES...

NO USE! HE'S GOT US!

LATHAM'S VANISHED... SO HIS OLD PALS, **TORCH TOMKING** AND **STOPPER STOLL**, WILL HAVE TO DO FOR NOW! TOO BAD YOUR BULLETS ARE GOING TO WASTE, BOYS!

ALL RIGHT, CHUMPS! WHAT HAPPENED TO LATHAM...OR WHOEVER PRETENDED TO BE HIS GHOST?

PRETENDED? NO ONE'S PRETENDIN', **ROBOTMAN**... LATHAM'S GHOST IS THE REAL MCCOY!

SHUT UP, **TORCH**! YA WANT HIM HAUNTIN' YA FOR TALKIN' TOO MUCH?

SOON AFTER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

THESE BOYS ARE AFRAID OF BEING HAUNTED, SARGE! GOT A SPOOK-PROOF CELL?

WE'VE GOT ONE TIGHT ENOUGH SO THAT IF ANY SPOOKS GET IN, THEY CAN'T GET OUT AGAIN!

LATER, A BUREAU REPORT WORKS UP AS **ROBOTMAN** DEVELOPS THE SENSITIVE PHOTOGRAPH FROM THE CAMERA...

SO LATHAM'S 'GHOST' VANISHED INTO THE VENTILATOR SHAFT... NOT INTO THIN AIR... AFTER DAZZLING ME! AND HIS INVITATION TO VISIT HIM UNDER THE RIVER SOUNDED LIKE A CHALLENGE!

THEY WERE RIGHT! THE EARLY MODEL'S BUILT-IN CAMERA WASN'T BUILT TO LAST...

HMMM... THIS EARLY MODEL'S RIPE FOR THE JUNK PILE! NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT I HAVE IN LIGHTWEIGHT PLASTIC FOR PLAYING WITH "GHOSTS..."

PRESENTLY, A GRIM FIGURE STALKS
THROUGH RUSTING METAL TUBES
BENEATH THE **WEST RIVER...**

THIS OLD ABANDONED TUNNEL IS
THE ONLY UNDERWATER PLACE I
KNOW WHERE A CROOK COULD
HIDE OUT! WHAT'S MORE,
THERE ARE SIGNS THAT
SOMEONE HAS
BEEN HERE
RECENTLY!

AND AHEAD, IN A CONCEALED
RECESS, ANOTHER FIGURE...
HALF-HUMAN, HALF-GHOSTLY
...CHECKLES SOUNDLESSLY...

SO HE **DID** TAKE MY CHALLENGE
SERIOUSLY... AND HE REMEMBERED
THIS TUNNEL! WHAT A SURPRISE
HE'LL GET WHEN HE LEARNS I
WASN'T FOOLING ABOUT
TURNING HIM INTO A
GHOST!

BEYOND THE LAST BULKHEAD, A
SHIMMERING FORM STARTS
TAUNTING THE METAL INTRUDER...

RIGHT THIS WAY! HE'S IN THE
ROBOTMAN! TRAP! NOTHING
FOR ME TO DO
NOW BUT CLOSE
THE BULKHEAD DOOR,
SET OFF THE DYNAMITE
...AND QUIT WORRYING
ABOUT **ROBOTMAN**
FOREVER!

BUT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL...

SO FAR
AS YOU
GO! HA, HA!
GO! HA, HA!

CHEESECLOTH.

A
PHONOGRAPH
RECORD... AND
DYNAMITE!
AND THERE
GOES THE
BULKHEAD
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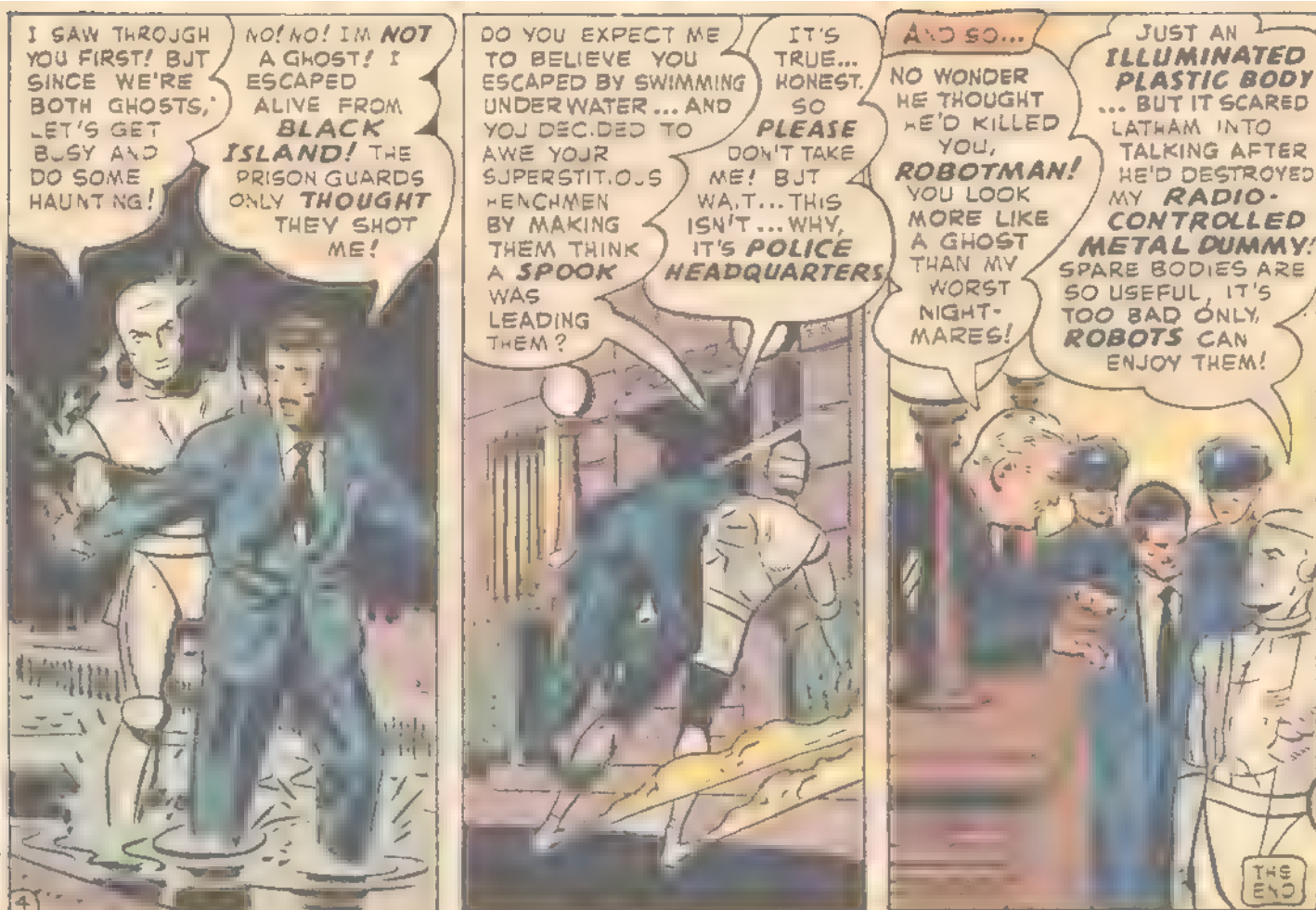
THEN, AS THE SPECTRAL LAT-AM INSPECTS THROUGH
A GLASS PEEPHOLE...

THAT'S THE END OF
ROBOTMAN! HE'S BLOWN TO
BITS! EVEN HIS HEAD IS
SMASHED, WHICH MEANS HIS
BRAIN IS DEAD!
HA, HA... HE'S A GHOST
NOW, ALL
RIGHT!

BUT A SPLIT
SECOND LATER...

YES... AND A
BETTER-LOOKING
GHOST THAN YOU,
IF I DO SAY SO
MYSELF!

WHAT...?? YIIIII! ROBOTMAN!
AND... AND I CAN SEE
RIGHT THROUGH
YOU!



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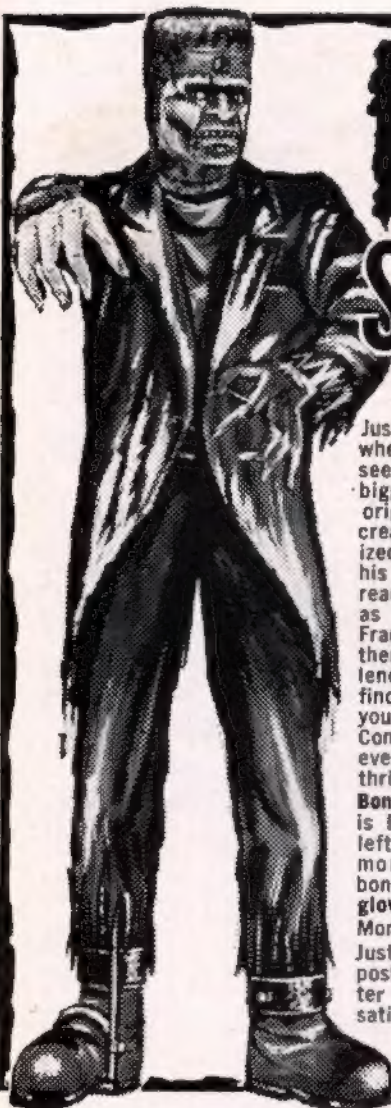
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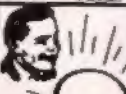
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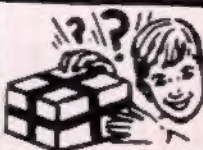
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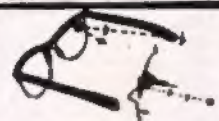
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